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Demons await

Spirits at the Demon House will rise from the shadows to invoke screams during the Halloween season. **7A**

Cohorts: Szakal bragged

Two co-defendants implicated Szakal in the murders of Howard and Nancy Springer.

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WASHINGTON, Pa. – Gerald Szakal bragged after killing Howard and Nancy Springer in their Carroll Township home March 4, 2008, two of his co-conspirators testified Wednesday.

But defense attorney Noah Geary alleged the witnesses – Justin Welch and Gregory Monya Carpenter – are trying to frame his client out of fear of – or loyalty to – the fourth co-conspirator, Tecko Dwayne Tartt, 21, of Donora.

Geary contends Tartt pulled the trigger, killing the retired police chief and his wife. Tartt, accused of providing the murder weapon, is expected to testify today against Szakal.

Police claim Szakal fatally shot the Springers in their 1241 Highland Road residence.

According to court records, Szakal stole jewelry and rare coins from his mother's Rostraver Township home, selling them to the Springers before returning to the couple's home to rob and kill them.

If convicted, Szakal could face the death penalty.

Entering the courtroom wearing shackles and orange Washington County Correctional Facility jumpsuits, Carpenter and Welch provided their versions of the events that preceded and followed the shootings.

Szakal's attorney wanted a mistrial, but the judge said no – Page 2A

Carpenter – whose brother, Dennis Hawkins, is Tartt's uncle –

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- Gregory A. Lacey, 58, Monessen
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Meadows: Table games boost jobs

They could become part of the state landscape because of budget problems.

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HARRISBURG – Legalizing table games would create about 700 jobs and increase payroll by $28 million at The Meadows Racetrack & Casino in Washington County, a top executive testified Wednesday.

Bill Paulos, principal of Cannery Casino Resorts, which owns the Meadows, said the casino could be ready to offer table games such as poker, blackjack and roulette by March 1. Sen. John Gordner, R-Columbia County, had asked a panel of casino operators whether they could meet an April 1 deadline.

Adding table games to slot machines at Pennsylvania's nine existing casinos is part of a proposed budget agreement among three legislative caucuses and Gov. Ed Rendell.

Budget negotiators project $200 million in revenue statewide from legalizing table games – money that would help balance the state's 2010 spending plan. Two Philadelphia casinos aren't open.

Stephen Drachler, a lobbyist for the United Methodist Church, said "the deck is stacked" in favor of table games, and lawmakers appear unwilling to listen to opponents.

If table games become law, Pennsylvania would be "the equivalent of the Wild West, when it comes to gambling," Drachler said after the Senate hearing.

"It would be great if someone could tell us the societal benefit. What about problems with gambling addictions? We see this as pouring gasoline on the fire."

Statewide, table games could create as many as 10,000 jobs, Paulos said.

The estimated 700 jobs at The Meadows is a revised figure, said David LaTorre, a spokesman for The Meadows. Paulos had predicted that table games would double the casino's 1,000-person work force.

Casino owners who testified before the Senate Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development said it's critical to know how much the state would charge in license fees

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Jeff Pikulsky/The Valley Independent

With no money flowing in from the state, the Monessen Public Library and District Center has fallen on tough economic times. Hours have been cut and the boss is not being paid.

Valley libraries struggling without state financial aid

Officials from the Monessen library will discuss budget matters at a meeting today.

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Fallout from the state budget impasse is affecting Mon Valley libraries.

The hardest hit is the Monessen Public Library and District Center.

Interim Director Peggy Tseng said the Monessen library was granted a waiver this week from the state Office of Commonwealth Libraries allowing it to reduce operating hours from 64 hours per week to 45 hours per week.

Because of its district center status, the state requires the Monessen library to be open at least 64 hours a week.

But Tseng said library officials had no choice but to request the waiver as the library has received no state district center funding since July.

Tseng said the library is using local money to stay afloat.

Operating hours are 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. It is closed on Fridays.

Tseng said the facility will be expected to restore hours to meet the district library standard when the state budget is passed and district aid becomes available.

Tseng said the library received $539,000 last year.

"We're not expecting to get anywhere near that," Tseng said.

Unlike other Monongahela Valley libraries that receive annual allocations in January, the Monessen Public Library and District center gets its money based on the state fiscal calendar year, which runs July 1 to June 30.

The library's fate as a district center has been an issue, and the board of directors will meet 5:15 p.m. today. Tseng said the board will discuss district status at the meeting.

Tseng said she is among several district center employees who have not been paid since July. Another furloughed employee has also continued to work.

"We're doing everything we can to continue operating as a district center," she said.

Elsewhere in the Mon Valley, Donora Public Library board member Dr. Charles Stacey said officials are closely watching the state budget situation, and they expect the worst when it comes to 2010 funding.

Stacey said officials have reduced hours and made other cuts in the past when funding has been reduced.

"What has really helped us is the generosity of people donating memorial books and money," Stacey said. "But we have noticed that we aren't getting as many of those donations as we used to."

At the Rostraver Public Library, Director Fran Rendulic said she has noticed more people than usual using such services as the fax and copy machines.

"A lot of people are coming in to fax their resumes; they're looking for jobs," Rendulic said.

She said officials decided to keep Rostraver hours on the summer schedule. The library is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays.

Rendulic said the state budget impasse has affected delivery services from other libraries. She said members currently can only put holds on books owned by Rostraver.

At the Monongahela Area Library, Director Elina Filander said the facility is still operating 47 hours a week, but she is expecting the worst when funds are awarded to libraries in January.

"We will have to wait and see because we just don't know what's going to happen," Filander explained.

Toni Gajan, director of the John K. Tener Library in Charleroi, said the budget situation will be the main topic when the board of directors meets next month.

Arts, culture officials seek financial relief from governor

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HARRISBURG – Pittsburgh and Philadelphia cultural groups on Wednesday met with Gov. Ed Rendell and legislative leaders of both parties to convince them to drop a budget proposal that would levy the state sales tax on music, dance, theater and museum admissions.

Saying they were stunned by the proposal that surfaced Friday in a budget deal between Rendell and three legislative caucuses, the arts officials said they met with the governor for about a half-hour to convince him to drop the plan or, if that can't be done, to create a "dedicated funding stream" for the arts.

"He explained to us the issue is finding recurring revenue" to balance the state budget, said Mitch Swain, CEO of the Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council.

It's especially awkward for Rendell, who has been a longtime supporter of the arts. While he was Philadelphia mayor, Rendell oversaw the creation of the Avenue of the Arts on Broad Street.

"We're very appreciative of this governor's overall stance on the arts," said Swain. "He's been a great supporter."

"This would not have been his first choice," said Rendell spokesman Barry Ciccocioppo.

Rendell said he would stand by the agreement, Ciccocioppo said.

Rendell has said repeatedly he would sign any measure eliminating sales tax exemptions

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VALLEY PEOPLE

Szakal (FROM PAGE ONE)

said he moved into Welch's apartment at 911 Crest Ave., Charleroi, after being released from jail days before the murders.

Carpenter said Szakal bought drugs regularly from Welch. He testified that Szakal asked Welch to help him obtain a gun so he could rob the Springers. Szakal allegedly said he wanted to retrieve the jewelry and coins he sold to the Springers before his mother had him arrested for robbing her.

Carpenter testified that Tartt eventually gave Welch a gun that in turn went to Szakal.

Carpenter said he saw Szakal put bloody clothing in a plastic bag.

Carpenter testified that he answered the door when Szakal returned to the Charleroi apartment late in the evening of March 4, 2008.

Answering questions on the witness stand, Carpenter said he answered the door and found Szakal, who exclaimed, "I did it! I did it!"

Carpenter testified that he and Szakal bought cocaine in Monessen the following night. It was then, he said, that Szakal recounted robbing Howard Springer and then shooting him in the face. When Nancy Springer came into the room and cried, "Oh my God!" he pushed her down, stomped on her head and then shot both victims.

Carpenter said Welch gave the murder weapon to Tartt.

"Do you feel bad for what you did?" Washington County Assistant District Attorney Craig McKay asked.

""Yes, I feel bad for taking the money," Carpenter answered.

Under cross-examination from Geary, Carpenter said Szakal "bragged" about the killings. He acknowledged his failure to initially tell state police about Szakal's role in the killings.

Welch testified that Szakal said he was "going to take care of these people" because the Springers' records from their precious metals business were the only link to show Szakal stole from his mother.

Welch detailed how Tartt and Szakal went to Monessen to search for the gun. He said that when Szakal told them he was planning to kill the Springers, Tartt suggested Szakal lead him to the home to fake a break-in.

Welch relayed the same story as Carpenter about the events that followed the killings, including Szakal's confession and the bloody clothing.

He testified that when Szakal's mother texted him about news of the double homicide, the defendant shrugged his shoulders.

Welch said that Szakal recently threatened him in the county jail, making a slashing motion across his neck.

After the day's testimony, Judge Debbie O'Dell Seneca told a deputy sheriff to tell jail officials that "Mr. Szakal is not to be around the other defendants. I thought that was understood."

Under cross-examination, Welch admitted to being in the car when Szakal went to his mother's home to rob her.

Geary asked Welch if he was "telling us this story because you're afraid of Tecko."

Welch hesitated and then said, "No sir, I'm telling you this 'cause it's what Jerry told me."

State Trooper James Petrosky provided receipts from the days following the trial showing Szakal using $100 bills to make purchases at McDonald's, Foot Locker, Gabriel Brothers and Jewelry Planet. Video from Walmart in Rostraver Township showed Carpenter buying items using food stamps and a $100 bill.

Petrosky explained that state police investigated several trucks seen in the area that roughly matched the description of Szakal's truck.

This testimony was in contrast to Geary's theory that at least one witness saw two people in Szakal's truck the night of the killings.

Yesteryear

Members of the North Belle Vernon Fire Department on Grape Alley pose with their 1940 American LaFrance truck. In front, from left, are Marion Evans, chief; Robert E. Whitelaw, assistant chief; unknown; Sylvester Gough; Clair Browneller; Roy Whitelaw; Roy Bankerd; C.R. Whitelaw; James Reed; unknown; Pupilli; and David McCulley. In back are Jacob Schmidt, driver; Leonard Nahar; Dino Pupilli; Joseph Tintori; "Shorty;" Curtis Repper; and James Vance. Joanne Whitelaw Weightman, of North Fort Myers, Fla., Robert Whitelaw's daughter, submitted the photo.

Weather

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Judge denies Szakal mistrial

A witness reportedly was ranting and raving outside the Washington County Courthouse.

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Commotion on the steps of the Washington County Courthouse at lunchtime Wednesday spurred a mistrial request for a Webster man accused of killing a Carroll Township couple.

Washington County Judge Debbie O'Dell Seneca interviewed the 12 jurors and the three alternates as the afternoon session was set to begin in the trial of Gerald Szakal.

Szakal allegedly robbed and killed Howard and Nancy Springer March 4, 2008, inside the couple's 1241 Highland Road home.

Some of the jurors could be heard telling the judge they heard nothing while others shook their heads "yes."

Defense attorney Noah Geary asked for a mistrial, but O'Dell Seneca denied the motion.

Washington County Assistant District Attorney Craig McKay declined to comment about the situation at the end of Thursday's testimony.

But Geary said witness Dennis Hawkins Sr. was "ranting and raving on the courthouse steps" as the jury went to lunch.

Geary asserted only that Hawkins "said some things" to the jury concerning co-conspirator Tecko Dwayne Tartt.

Earlier that morning, Hawkins testified that while they were both in the Washington County Correctional Facility, Szakal told Hawkins he killed the Springers.

Hawkins – Tartt's uncle – testified that Szakal told him he shot and beat the couple in their home. Hawkins said Szakal told him he left the Springers' home in a rush when the alarm sounded.

However, the Springers' daughter, Jill Danish, testified the alarm was shut off when she went into the home and discovered her parents' bodies the night after the shooting.

O'Dell Seneca did not rule on whether she will permit Dr. Deborah Davis to testify for the defense next week. In a telephone interview Wednesday, Davis spoke about her expertise in false confessions. The defense contends Szakal's confession to state police was coerced.

She said under cross-examination from McKay that she has never talked to Szakal.

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and what tax rate would be levied.

Budget negotiators haven't released that information. Earlier proposals called for $10 million for each license and a tax rate ranging from 10 to 21 percent. Those rates will help determine the casinos' profits.

Table games are needed to provide a "level playing field" with West Virginia, which has table games, Paulos said.

"Not only would table games allow us to provide a full casino experience ... but it will also have a dramatic and immediate positive effect on the local job market and economy," Paulos said.

Casino owners, backed by an industry study, say table games would increase slot machine play because of "cross-over" gamblers, those players who like table games but bring someone else who prefers slots.

Officials from the Rivers Casino in Pittsburgh did not testify.

"We certainly have expressed support for the addition of table games, but there were ample other supporters we knew were attending the hearing," said Dan Fee, a Rivers spokesman.

Democrats want to cancel Medicare Part B increase

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. – With no Social Security cost-of-living increase expected in January, House Democrats want to cancel all of next year's premium increases for Medicare Part B recipients.

A vote on a bill to stop the Part B increases was scheduled today.

With no Social Security cost-of-living allowance, the vast majority of Medicare recipients already are exempt from premium increases for Part B, which provides coverage for doctor's visits.

However, a small group of seniors would face increases.

The standard premium is projected to go from $96.40 a month this year to $104.20 a month in 2010.

Some could face premiums high as $120 a month, according to House Democrats.

The House bill would eliminate the premium increases, using $2.8 billion from a fund established in 2008 to improve Medicare.

Relief (FROM PAGE ONE)

except those on food and clothing.

Rendell "reminded them this was a Senate Republican proposal, but it did satisfy his request that there be recurring revenue this year and next year," Ciccocioppo said.

"The governor's attempt to avoid responsibility for his decisions is unfortunate," said Erik Arneson, a Senate Republican spokesman.

The Pittsburgh council represents institutions including the Carnegie Museum of Art and Natural History, the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, the Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh, the Harmony Singers, the Freeport Theatre Festival and the Pittsburgh Banjo Club.

It's not clear on which arts the tax would be levied, said Julie Hawkins, vice president of public policy for the Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance. Details are thin on a special fund that would be created under the agreement to help the arts.

The sales tax proposal is part of an agreement between Rendell and leaders that came on the 80th day of a budget impasse and likely will be considered for a vote next week.

If one revenue piece is removed, it could sink the budget agreement. Other revenue sources include raising taxes on cigarettes and taxing small games of chance.

The arts community has launched e-mail campaigns to sink the tax and is encouraging visits to rank-and-file members, Hawkins said

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Valley briefs

Comcast adding 13 new channels

Comcast is launching 13 new channels for most local customers, including 11 that are high-definition versions of Travel Channel, Lifetime, Nickelodeon and other networks.

The cable provider also is moving some channels to digital delivery only in many areas, including AMC, Cartoon Network and Turner Classic Movies.

Standard cable customers who want to keep watching those channels can get free converter boxes. Customers within the Pittsburgh city limits won't get these changes.

Comcast said it will announce enhancements to its service in the city soon.

Police thwart N. Union burglary

Three Fayette County men are accused of the attempted burglary this week of a North Union home, according to state police in Uniontown.

Ryan Shane Huffman, 21, of 44 Fairgarden St., Redstone; Thomas Michael Solomon, 24, of 259 Oak Hill Road, Luzerne, and Luke Michael Zajac, 20, of 21 Judith St., Uniontown, were arrested early Tuesday.

Huffman and Solomon were charged with attempted burglary in connection to the incident on Yauger Hollow Road about 1:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Huffman and Zajac were charged with possessing instruments of crime because they allegedly were carrying a crowbar.

All were charged with criminal conspiracy and loitering and prowling at night.

In the criminal complaints, Trooper Christopher Cesnalis said police were called to the area because of a report of someone in a dark-colored Ford F-150 pickup dropping off two suspicious males wearing dark clothing along the road.

Police said Zajac had a camouflage-style bandanna around his neck and silicone gloves in a pocket.

North Union District Judge Wendy Dennis set their bonds at $50,000 apiece. They are being held in the Fayette County Prison.

A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Oct. 14.

Route 22 work hampers business

Road construction on Route 22 in Derry Township should be completed late in 2010, a couple months behind schedule.

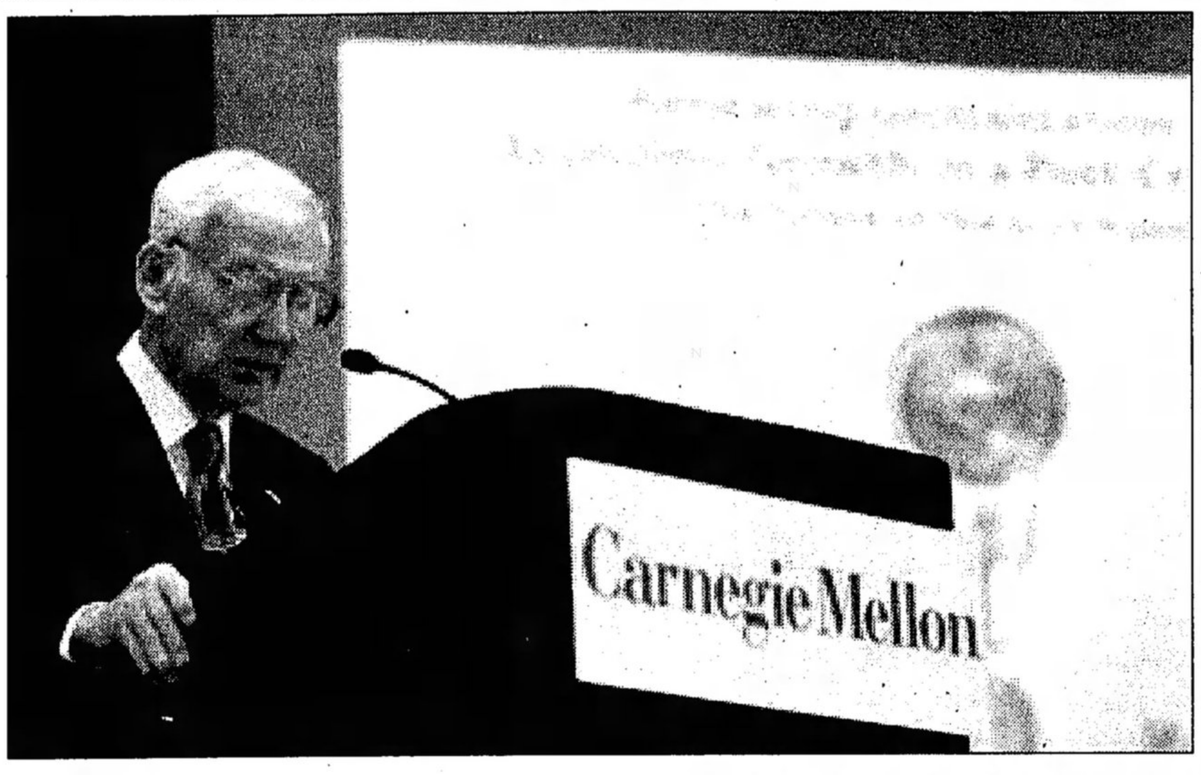
"They were delayed initially by utility concerns ... mostly by relocating utilities from one place to the other," said Valerie Petersen, PennDOT spokeswoman. "We're expected to finish within the budget without any overruns. The project is continuing right along."

The $19.6 million project is one of 10 phases of Renew 22, the reconstruction of the highway from Murrysville to the Indiana County line.

Completion can't come soon enough for business owners.

Siobhan Varrato, manager of the Cheese House, said business there decreased some, particularly when work was going on in front of her store. A sign outside thanks patrons for coming in during construction.

"Our business is about one-third of what it was last year in the (same) quarters," she said.



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Daniel M. Rooney, U.S. ambassador to Ireland, addresses an audience at Carnegie Mellon University during an event hosted by the Atlantic Council and CMU with the support from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday.

Steelers owner Rooney adjusts to new position

Life has been a whirlwind for Rooney since he became ambassador to Ireland.

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For the first time in as long as he can remember, Dan Rooney will wake up Sunday and not head to the Steelers game.

Ever since he became U.S. ambassador to Ireland in July, Rooney, 77, has been busy with pressing issues such as the crushing financial crisis in his family's homeland.

His life has changed so much, in fact, that this week he returned to Pittsburgh to talk about economic issues related to the Group of 20 summit — but he's not staying long enough to see his football team play the Bengals in Cincinnati.

Even so, Steeler Nation extends across the Atlantic Ocean to Ireland.

"I get two questions anywhere I go," Rooney said. "The first question is, 'When's President Obama coming?' The second question is, 'When are the Steelers coming?'"

Rooney and his wife, Patricia, talked with the *Tribune-Review,* a sister publication of *The Valley Independent,* about how their lives have changed since his appointment March 17 by Obama. Rooney was in Pittsburgh to give the opening address Wednesday at a G-20 conference at Carnegie Mellon University.

Both Ireland and Pittsburgh offer valuable lessons for surviving the latest downturn in the economy, Rooney said. Ireland had a great runup during the past decade but fell on hard times. Pittsburgh suffered through hard times with the collapse of the steel industry, but strong medical, technology and higher education industries emerged.

World leaders in Pittsburgh need to focus on creating jobs and providing resources, such as income support, for people who lose their jobs, Rooney said in his speech to about 120 people.

"I hope Pittsburgh will not only be the positive turning point for the economy but will be known as the place we came together and made a better life for all," he said.

Rooney doesn't have to take the job so seriously, but said he doesn't know any other way.

His family long has invested in causes related to helping the Irish, including co-founding the American Ireland Fund, which has distributed more than $250 million in a quarter-century. As ambassador, Rooney has a goal to hold town hall-style meetings in every county in Ireland. Often, the ambassador's residence holds more than one public event or party at a time.

"That's just the way I operate," Rooney said. "I feel like if we're going to accomplish what we started out to do, you have to put in the time."

Family members said they expect no less.

"If it wasn't a big job, which it is, Dan would make it one," said his brother Pat Rooney Sr., who spends time working on nonprofit causes in Ireland. "You can bet the ambassador is working his butt off and doing everything an ambassador should do. He'll take it as seriously as you can take it."

Life has been a whirlwind for Rooney and his wife since July, when Secretary of State Hillary Clinton swore him into office. They stopped after the ceremony to have lunch with family in Washington, then boarded a plane for Ireland. When a daughter mistakenly sent his luggage to Pittsburgh, Rooney arrived to a ceremony at his new home without a change of clothes.

The couple has come back to Pittsburgh three times. Patricia said they miss seeing their 17 grandchildren, and she craves the city's iconic chipped ham. They plan to spend Christmas in Pittsburgh, and they hope to host their clan in Ireland next summer.

Rooney said he longs for the North Side.

"I miss being there," he said. "I know everybody there. I miss going up to the park and taking a walk, Patricia and I, and seeing Gus, the shaved ice guy. Wonderful people. Just getting around and knowing everybody, seeing the tennis players and talking to them. And going down to the stadium."

That could be nothing compared to missing Sunday's game against the Bengals, which he'll watch on television.

"I don't know about it being so much a sacrifice as much as it being a real radical change from his whole life," sais his brother, Pat.

Readers write to right wrongs

There's nothing like an oversight - OK, a glaring mistake - to catch the attention of readers of this weekly offering.

That certainly was the case with a recent reference to businesses in the Monongahela area in the 1940s and 1950s.

The source of the original listing emphasized that he "probably overlooked" some businesses and was recalling the ones he remembered. But the disclaimer apparently didn't placate John "Pez" Pezzoni, of Cary, North Carolina.

"If I made as many errors as your informant, I would want to remain as anonymous as they did," Pezzoni said. "The mistakes include an incorrect address for Peter's Restaurant, placing Conte's at Vogini's - there was no Gogini's - and completely omitting such men's stores as McGregor's, Becker's and Dave Turri's, and Campi's, the finest Italian grocery in town.

"And I would be remiss if I didn't tell you that the Sangermano Brothers split when Herman found greener pastures in Finleyville."

Pezzoni also pointed out that a study on the same subject (businesses in the Monongahela area) has been completed by two former residents, Virginia McGregor Mozingo and Vince Malena. Their findings, he said, are "much more accurate and comprehensive." He also noted, as have several other people, that many current residents "such as Shirley Scott Ross and John (Jack) Coulter also are very knowledgeable."

Ron **PAGLIA**

In addition, Pezzoni posed this question:

"How could any such listing not include Rudy and Bill Polaski's news and sporting good store? Bill was a former mayor of Monongahela and Rudy backed many athletic teams."

In a more nostalgic tone, Pezzoni concluded, "Obviously, we miss the good old times."

Another former Monongahela resident, Jay Matuga, of Rockledge, Fla., also recalled Polaski's New Store.

"My uncle and aunt, Rudy and Bessie Polaski, owned it," Matuga said. "They were wonderful people."

He also recalled such businesses as Smaldone's clothing store, Spaula's shoe repair shop, the Blue Goose bar, the men's clothing store owned and operated by Dave Turri, Benny's (Rubin) clothing store, Becker's men's store in the Odelli Building, the original Angelo's bar and grill, Roule's Gulf service station, the Italian Club and social hall, the Slovak Club, the American Legion and Brook's shoe store.

Matuga, whose recollec-

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DEATH NOTICES

ATKINS — Donald Dale Atkins, of Monongahela, on Thursday, July 16. Frye Funeral Home Inc., Monongahela.*

DILLARD — Betty Dillard, 82, formerly of Belle Vernon, on Thursday, Sept. 24. Beverly C. Draper Funeral Home, Monessen.

JONES — Andrea K. (Stark) Jones, on Thursday, Sept. 10. James A. Rabe Funeral Home Inc., Donora.*

LACEY — Gregory A. Lacey, 58, of Monessen, on Thursday, Sept. 24. Beverly Draper Funeral Home, Monessen.

MARRACCINI — Egisto Marraccini, 79, of Frankfort, Ky., formerly of Monongahela, on Monday, Aug. 31.*

ZENOBI — Dominic E. Zenobi, 74, of Monessen, on Wednesday, Sept. 23. Rhome Funeral Home Inc., Monessen.*

PREVIOUS DEATHS:
*** See death notice**

Dominic E. Zenobi
Monessen

Dominic E. Zenobi, 74, of Monessen, went to be with the Lord Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2009, in Mon Valley Hospital. He was born March 1, 1935, in Donora, a son of the late Anthony and Rose Davanzo Zenobi. He worked as a machinist for Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel prior to his retirement. He attended the former First Baptist Church of Monessen and currently was attending Pricedale Union Church. Surviving are his wife, Betty Steer Zenobi: two sons, Thomas and wife, Jill Zenobi, of Monessen, and John and wife, Rachael Zenobi, of Belle Vernon; three daughters, Donna and husband, Steve Baciak, of Florida, Toni and husband, Kevin Post, of Monessen and Joyce and husband, Jay Nicholls of Perryopolis; 13 grandchildren, Dawn, Cynthia, Kevin, Stephen, Amy, Lisa, Raelyn, Alyssa, Anthony, Jacob, Rebecca, Zach, and Ava; 13 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two brothers, Sam and wife, Ruth Zenobi, of Monongahela, and Jim and wife, Barb Zenobi, of Donora; three sisters, Louise Smedley, Norma Zenobi, and Rose Ann and husband, Tom Stewart; sister-in-law, Nancy Layton; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Mark Zenobi, and his sister and brother-in-law, Antoinette and Curtis Hayden. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the RHOME FUNERAL HOME INC., family owned and operated as a member of the Golden Rule, 1209 Grand Blvd., Monessen, where friends will be received 1 to 3 and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday. Services will be held in the chapel of the funeral home 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009, with Rev. James Mimidis officiating. Interment will follow in the Grandview Cemetery, Monessen, PA, 15062.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Egisto Marraccini
Frankfort, Ky.
Formerly of Monongahela

Egisto Marraccini, 79, of Frankfort, Ky., formerly of Monongahela, died Aug. 31, 2009. He was born March 7, 1930, a son of the late Nello and Gina Marraccini. He grew up in Monongahela, and attended the University of Pittsburgh. He spent the majority of his life in Frankfort. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he was seriously wounded in action in the Korean conflict. He was awarded several medals, including two Purple Hearts and a bronze star with valor. He retired with 35 years of service from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Survivors include his wife, Pauline; a son, four daughters, six grandchildren, an adopted daughter, two brothers, Eugene and Raymond Marraccini; a sister, Rina Mannella; and an aunt, Marie Marraccini. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, and a brother, Roger Marraccini.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Donald Dale Atkins
Monongahela

Friends and family of Donald Dale Atkins, 83, of Monongahela, who died July 16, 2009, are invited to attend a memorial service 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009, in the First Christian Church, Chess and Sixth Streets, Monongahela, with the Rev. Gerald Demarest officiating.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Andrea K. (Stark) Jones

Family and friends are invited to attend a memorial service 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009, at the Calvary United Presbyterian Church in Donora for Andrea K. (Stark) Jones, who died Sept. 10, 2009. The Rev. James Bailey will serve as celebrant. A luncheon for all those attending will be held in the church social room immediately following the service. The JAMES A. RABE FUNERAL HOME INC. is in charge of arrangements.

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Associated Press

Staff Sgt. Andrew Wolfe, of Madison, Wisc., a member of the U.S. Army's 3rd Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment (Airborne), based at Fort Richardson, Alaska, patrols Zerok District, East Paktika province in Afghanistan on Wednesday.

General to send troop request for Afghanistan

Request could be revised if military strategy is altered.

By LARA JAKES
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon sought Wednesday to march in step with the Obama administration's shifting war strategy as the White House considers using more counterterror strikes in Pakistan amid its doubts about adding troops in Afghanistan.

Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell said the U.S. and NATO commander in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, would ask this week for additional American forces — a number that officials said could reach as high as 40,000 troops.

But Morrell said that request could be revised if the White House alters the military strategy it committed to six months ago. Morrell added that McChrystal's request will remain with Defense Secretary Robert Gates until the decision is made.

"There's a lot that's changed and a lot that needs to be analyzed," Morrell told reporters. "And I think it's only appropriate for the commander in chief and his national security team to discuss these developments and adjust, if necessary, accordingly."

Morrell maintained, as has the White House, that the Obama administration merely is taking a new look at how to best achieve its long-stated goal of defeating and dismantling al-Qaida, the terrorist group behind the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

In an interview with The New York Times, McChrystal denied that his assessment of resources needed in Afghanistan was causing a rift between the military and civilian leadership. "A policy debate is warranted," he said. "We should not have any ambiguities, as a nation or a coalition."

The second-guessing comes in wake of charges of widespread fraud in Afghanistan's elections last month, and questions of whether the administration's original counterinsurgency strategy can work in a country where the government lacks credibility.

"There is a commitment on everyone's part to work this complex issue as quickly as possible, but without rushing it," Morrell said. "It is far more important that we make sure the strategy we are pursuing is the correct one and the president and his team are comfortable with it."

Earlier this year, the Pentagon began ramping up the eight-year war in Afghanistan, targeting extremist Taliban leaders to make sure the nation does not become a safe haven for al-Qaida. But White House officials now are refocusing on Pakistan, where al-Qaida leaders are believed to be hiding, by potentially launching more missile strikes by unmanned spy planes and sending in more special operations forces.

Pakistan will not allow the United States to deploy a large-scale military troop buildup on its soil. However, its military and intelligence services are believed to have assisted the U.S. with airstrikes, even while the government publicly has condemned them.

A spokesman for the Pakistan Embassy in Washington, Nadeem Kiani, signaled that Islamabad is cool to the idea of letting the U.S. expand its CIA-led drone missions in Pakistan.

Vaccine helps prevent HIV infection

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Researchers say that for the first time an experimental vaccine has cut the risk of infection with the deadly AIDS virus.

U.S. military and Thai health officials told a news conference Thursday in Bangkok that the vaccine cut the risk of becoming infected with HIV by more than 31 percent.

The result came after the world's largest AIDS vaccine trial of more than 16,000 volunteers in Thailand.

POLICE LOG

Monongahela

■ Ashley Littrell, 23, of 2579 Courtland Drive, Upper St. Clair, and John Comer, 21, of 280 east View Road, Bethel Park, were charged with public drunkenness 7 a.m. Tuesday on Washington Avenue in Finleyville, police said.

■ Marci Doty, 35, of 422 Second Ave., New Eagle, was charged with harassment and disorderly conduct 6:30 p.m. Sept. 9 as a result of an incident that took place at the Mounds Field, police said.

■ Adam Bodner, 25, of 104 Eighth St., Monongahela, was charged with simple assault, endangering the welfare of children and disorderly conduct 11 p.m. Saturday as a result of an incident that took place at 108 Eighth St., Monongahela, police said.

■ Brad Nagy, 21, of 618 Fourth St., Monongahela, and Leslie Wilson, 27, of 602 Geary St., Monongahela, were both charged with simple assault and disorderly conduct 7 p.m. Saturday after they were involved in an altercation at Wilson's home, police said.

■ Tracy Allen Campbell, 51, of 180 Morton St., New Eagle, was charged with DUI, driving while his license was suspended and traffic violations 4 a.m. Saturday at Chess Street and Ninth Street, police said.

State police, Greensburg

■ Police are investigating the theft of an iPod from a student in the Yough High School football locker room that took place from 6:15 to 7 p.m. Sept. 11, police said.

■ Franklin Bowman, 72, of Yukon, reported that during the hours of 5:30 p.m. Sept. 15 and 9 a.m. Tuesday, someone entered his residence through an unlocked door and took a Marlin .22-caliber rifle.

Monessen

■ Dorian Mills, 23, of Monessen, was picked up on state parole violations 3:54 p.m. Wednesday at 476 Clarendon Ave., police said. He was taken to the Westmoreland County Jail.

■ Tanisha Lloyd, 32, of Charleroi, was charged with criminal mischief 10:28 p.m. Sept. 16 as a result of an incident that took place at Highland Manor, police said.

■ Brent Hill, 21, of 13708 Bidwell Place, Bristow, Va., was charged with criminal mischief 4:50 p.m. Wednesday as a result of an incident that took place at 1266 Rostraver St., police said.

■ Caleb Kolbeck, 21, of Monessen, was picked up on active warrants out of Westmoreland County 2:50 p.m. Wednesday at 1019 Highland Manor. He was transported to the Westmoreland County Jail.

Southwest Regional

■ Police said Bryant Christopher Johnson, 22, of 232 1/2 East 20th Ave., Munhall, was charged with disorderly conduct 10:40 p.m. Wednesday after he was allegedly observed smoking marijuana inside a residence at 134 Spring St., Coal Center, while police were there to investigate an unreasonable noise incident.

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tions of his hometown are plentiful, also called attention to the Span & Taylor drug store, McGregor's men's clothing store, Bindi's Pontiac garage, the Anton and Bentley movie theaters, Openheimer's furniture store, Devore's hardware store, Peter's restaurant, Beyer's drug store, The Lantern Grill, Sun Wallpaper and Paint, Wimpy's restaurant, and *The Daily Republican* newspaper offices and printing plant.

Sarah Jane Reinhardt Christopher, of Clearwater, Fla., also responded to the recent column. She is a 1959 graduate of Monongahela High School who joined her classmates at their recent 50-year reunion.

"I was reading the list of businesses in your article to my mother, who is 92 and was born in Monongahela in 1917," Reinhardt said. "She doesn't forget anything and she informed me that you left out some of her family's businesses."

Christopher's mother's maiden name was Myrtle Chattaway Morton. Chattaway, of course, is a name that should be familiar to most people in Monongahela and the area.

Christopher's mother's uncle, Arthur Chattaway, was postmaster general in Hazzard, which is in Black Diamond, Christopher said. Another uncle, John Chattaway, had a grocery store in Black Diamond behind the old Simon's Hotel. Her father, Leonard Chattaway, and another uncle, Walter, operated a grocery store on East Main Street.

"They were the first business people in Monongahela to pay income tax," Christopher said of her mother's family.

She also pointed out that another grocery store owned by the Chattaway family - the one at Ninth and Marne - was listed in the previous column.

"And Bondascha's Bakery was owned by my mother's aunt, Rose Chattaway Bondascha, and that one was on your list," Christopher said. "I remember my Great-Aunt Rose very well. She was a tall, beautiful woman and she wore big hats all the time. She walked every day to the bakery and back home again. It was no wonder she was thin and beautiful. She lived on Ninth Street, so that was quite a walk for her."

Christopher also called attention to her mother's cousin, Chuck Chattaway, a longtime business and community leader in Monongahela.

"His military division was the first to get a battlefield commission from Pennsylvania," Christopher said. "He had the insurance company at Fourth and Main for many years."

Another cousin, Donald Chattaway, who died recently, played piano in the Tommy Dorsey Band and had one of the first television shows out of Philadelphia.

Yet another cousin, Dr. Tommy Chattaway, was a dentist in Charleroi for many years and had his office on Fallowfield Avenue.

"I hope you can add these businesses to your list," Christopher wrote in her email. "As I said, my mother doesn't forget anything and I have been asking her things about Mononghela because I know one of these day she won't be around for me to ask.

"Her health is really kind, and her mind is even better. She even remembers everything bad that I did when I was little."

We're sincerely grateful to Pezzoni, Matuga and Ms. Christopher for sharing their thoughts. That kind of input is always welcome.

(If you have memories to share or a story idea, contact Ron Paglia at ronpaglia@verizon.net or c/o The Valley Independent, Eastgate 19, Monessen, PA 15062.)

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In loving memory of our beloved son, brother & uncle, Gerald "Jerry" Szakal, who passed away 3 years ago today, September 24, 2006.

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In Memory Of Sharan Williams Kinney

In loving memory of our beloved mother, grandmother and daughter, Sharan Williams Kinney, who passed away 11 years ago today, September 24, 1998. What would we give your hand to clasp, your patient face to see, to hear your voice, to see your smile, as in the days that used to be. But in some sweet day we'll meet again beyond the toil and strife, and clasp each other's hand once more, in Heaven, that happy life.

Sadly missed and loved by daughter Dana & her husband Dan, grandchildren Caden & Weston and Mom & Dad.

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G-20 SUMMIT

TODAY IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 24

Today is Thursday, Sept. 24, the 267th day of 2009. There are 98 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight

On Sept. 24, 1969, the trial of the "Chicago Eight" (later seven) began. (Five of the defendants were later convicted of crossing state lines to incite riots at the 1968 Democratic national convention, but the convictions were ultimately overturned.)

On this date:

■ In 1789, Congress passed a Judiciary Act which provided for an attorney general and a Supreme Court.

■ In 1929, Lt. James H. Doolittle guided a Consolidated NY-2 Biplane over Mitchel Field on Long Island in the first all-instrument flight.

■ In 1948, Mildred Gillars, accused of being Nazi wartime radio propagandist "Axis Sally," pleaded not guilty in Washington, D.C., to charges of treason. (Gillars, who was later convicted of the charges, ended up serving 12 years in prison.)

■ In 1955, President Dwight D. Eisenhower suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Denver.

■ In 1960, the USS Enterprise, the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, was launched at Newport News, Va.

■ In 1963, the U.S. Senate ratified a treaty with Britain and the Soviet Union limiting nuclear testing.

■ In 1976, former hostage Patricia Hearst was sentenced to seven years in prison for her part in a 1974 bank robbery in San Francisco carried out by the Symbionese Liberation Army. (Hearst was released after 22 months after receiving clemency from President Jimmy Carter.)

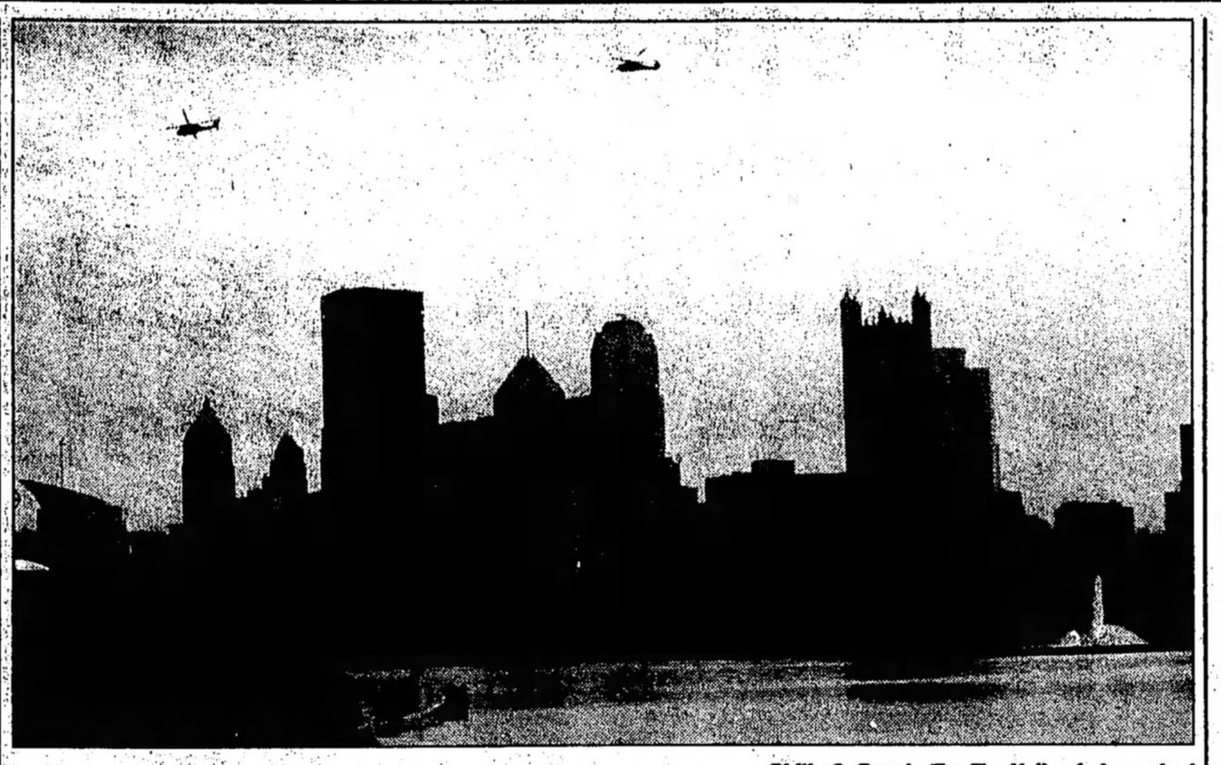
■ In 1998, the government began releasing the new, harder-to-counterfeit $20 bill.

■ **Ten years ago**: Oregon teenager Kip Kinkel, who killed his parents and gunned down two classmates at school, abandoned an insanity defense and pleaded guilty to murder. (He was later sentenced to 112 years without parole.)

■ **Five years ago**: Iraq's interim prime minister, Ayad Allawi, appealed to world leaders at the U.N. General Assembly to unite behind his country's effort to rein in spiraling violence, lighten the foreign debt and improve security ahead of the January elections.

■ **One year ago**: Officials reopened Galveston, Texas, to residents who were warned about Hurricane Ike's debris and disruption of utilities.

■ **Today's Birthdays**: Actor-singer Herb Jeffries is 98. Actress Sheila MacRae is 85. R&B singer Sonny Turner (The Platters) is 70. Singer Barbara Allbut (The Angels) is 69. Pro Football Hall of Famer John Mackey is 68. Singer Phyllis "Jiggs" Allbut (The Angels) is 67. Singer Gerry Marsden (Gerry and the Pacemakers) is 67. Pro Football Hall of Famer Joe Greene is 63. Actor Gordon Clapp is 61. Former U.S. Rep. Joseph Kennedy II, D-Mass., is 57. Actor Kevin Sorbo is 51. Christian/jazz singer Cedric Dent (Take 6) is 47. Actress-writer Nia Vardalos is 47. Baseball All-Star Rafael Palmeiro is 45. Country musician Marty Mitchell is 40. Actress Megan Ward is 40. Singer-musician Marty Cintron (No Mercy) is 38. Contemporary Christian musician Juan DeVevo (Casting Crowns) is 34. Olympic gold medal gymnast Paul Hamm is 27. Actor Kyle Sullivan is 21.



Philip G. Pavely/For The Valley Independent

A pair of Blackhawk helicopters circle Pittsburgh moments after Greenpeace activists demonstrated on the West End Bridge Wednesday. Nine activists were arrested after four were rappelling over the bridge to hang a huge banner.

Prettied-up Pittsburgh charms wave of visitors

Out-of-towners are impressed by the city's pride, friendliness.

By LUIS FABREGAS
For The Valley Independent
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PITTSBURGH – A delegate from Italy called the City of Bridges an ideal place to call home.

An Indian van driver, in Pittsburgh for the first time, referred to it as a "mini-New York."

A Chinese journalist, charmed by free chocolates at a welcome center, called it impressive.

As the world descended on Pittsburgh on Wednesday, thousands of visitors, delegates and reporters wasted no time offering their two cents about a city whose moment in the spotlight arrives today with the much-anticipated Group of 20 summit.

"In only a few hours here I can already sense how friendly the people are," said Wen Xian, a journalist for People's Daily, China's largest daily newspaper, on his first Pittsburgh visit. He said he was impressed by a Downtown welcome center offering everything from Sarris chocolate bars to walking tours of the city in 15 languages.

"It shows people are very sensitive to doing a great job. You have a very good beginning. The real challenge is in the coming days."

Federal, state and local agencies prepared for the big day and the arrival of President Obama and leaders from time zones around the globe. Workers erected tall, steel barriers that gave some city blocks the feel of a jail. Police roamed on bicycles, horses and patrol cars, and officers in riot gear stood guard in front of Heinz Hall. The buzz of military helicopters filled the air, and Coast Guard boats traveled up and down the city's three rivers.

"It's like a mini-New York, but without all the people," said Charnjit Singh Bhutta, a native of northeast India who is driving delegates back and forth from the Omni William Penn Hotel to meetings at various sites. "There are lots of bridges. I like that."

Although few people were seen on the streets in the morning, groups of walkers thickened as delegates arrived at several hotels. Passengers in black SUVs rolled down their windows and stared at buildings as they familiarized themselves with the area.

Brandon Cook watered newly planted yellow and rust-colored mums in front of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center and took it all in, filled with pride.

"It's been a lot of work, from our standpoint, but look at the difference," said Cook, 23, of South Fayette, pointing at the rows of flowers. Cook, who works for the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy, listened to rap music on headphones as he meticulously watered each flower and picked dead leaves. "We've been working really hard to make sure this looks as best as it can be. I hope the protesters don't crush the flowers."

Just a few feet behind him, satellite trucks from national and international news outlets filled a parking lot and set up equipment. Onlookers walked by and snapped pictures. An Abraham Lincoln impersonator greeted people on the convention center grounds.

Public urged not to worry

Helicopters, Humvees are routine for this type of event.

By ROBIN ACTON
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PITTSBURGH – Traffic in the city's skies, streets and rivers will have a different look today and Friday as military helicopters, gunboats and armored vehicles stand ready for emergencies related to the Group of 20 economic summit.

It's nothing to panic over, Mayor Luke Ravenstahl said.

"We don't want people to overreact. Don't be alarmed, because it's just part of the overall public safety effort," he said.

The use of Chinook transport helicopters and armored Humvees is routine for an event of this stature, according to retired Army Gen. William "Gus" Pagonis of Evans City, a Charleroi native who handled the logistical supply chain for a coalition of 670,000 troops from 28 countries during the Persian Gulf War in 1991. The equipment would be critical assets if violent protests involving large groups of people or a terrorist attack occurred, he said.

"It's pretty smart to have that type of equipment ready in case something happens," Pagonis said.

The Chinook helicopter is a "versatile piece of equipment" that could be used for security, evacuation or medical transport purposes, Pagonis said. The helicopter can carry a crew of three and up to 33 passengers and lift a small vehicle or cargo container weighing about 19,000 pounds, according to the Army Web site.

"If there's a place for them to land, they can pick up people pretty fast," Pagonis said. "If there's a demonstration and the National Guard needs to capture and segregate the leaders from the rest of the group, they could remove them from the area quickly."

Smaller than the Chinook, Black Hawk utility helicopters can transport about a dozen troops and carry smaller cargo loads. Black Hawks, seen in the skies above Pittsburgh this week, are used for electronic warfare and aeromedical evacuations, according to the Army.

In an emergency that would require helicopter evacuations of the world leaders attending the summit, the armored Apache attack helicopters could escort the Chinook, Pagonis said.

14 arrested in bridge stunts

Greenpeace activists were trying to hang banners.

By CHRIS TOGNERI
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PITTSBURGH – Fourteen activists from Greenpeace trying to send a "message to the leaders of the G-20" were arrested scaling two key city bridges Wednesday as authorities continued to bulk up security with extra officers for today's economic summit.

The first arrests of protesters in advance of the international meeting took place after eight people using ropes rappelled from the West End Bridge and unfurled a banner reading: "Danger. Climate Destruction Ahead. Reduce CO2 Emissions Now." Police detained a man on the bridge who helped them, as well as five people trying to hang a banner from the Fort Pitt Bridge about 10:30 a.m.

The five men and three women on the West End Bridge spent about 2 1/2 hours dangling above the Ohio River before climbing back to police, who took them to the Allegheny County Jail. Police planned to charge them with trespassing, disorderly conduct, obstruction of traffic and possession of instruments of crime, said Pittsburgh police Assistant Chief William Bochter. He said they were outfitted in "very sophisticated" climbing gear.

Mike Crocker, a Greenpeace activist who coordinated the event from the North Shore, said dozens of activists nationwide planned the stunt for more than three months.

"The message was to the leaders of the G-20," said Gabe Wisniewski, a Greenpeace activist from San Francisco who said the group chose the West End Bridge because the city skyline created a dramatic and powerful backdrop.

"There have been a lot of promises made," he said. "But now is the time to put money on the table. The checks we've written haven't been cashed."

Arrested were: John Shumaker, 37; Adam Conlin, 23, and Jeanne Kirshon, 22, all of Washington, D.C.; Benjamin Smith, 29, of San Francisco; Daniel Cassettari, 26, of Park Ridge, Ill.; Elizabeth Donahue, 19, of Poway, Calif.; Kelly Mitchell, 24, of Chicago; Chelsea Ritter-Soronen, 22, of St. Louis; Jonathan Batchelor, 31, and Hayden Llewellyn, 30, both of Portland; Kelly Osbourne, 40, of Oklahoma City; David Pomerantz, 24, of Cambridge, Mass; Thomas Cohen, 42, of Oakland, Calif., and Alexis Soto, 26, of Los Angeles.

Groups this week have protested Group of 20 economic policies, President Obama's administration, a coal conference and other issues.

To deal with an expected crush of demonstrators and protect security perimeters that went up last night Downtown, the city hired out-of-state officers and brought in several thousand state police troopers and Pennsylvania National Guard troops.

Mayor Luke Ravenstahl deputized about a thousand police officers to supplement city officers during a ceremony last night.

"We're very happy and very honored you're here keeping our city safe for the next 48 hours," Ravenstahl said.

The mayor issued an emergency declaration that allowed him to deputize the officers, who came from police departments as far away as Miami and Chicago. City officials denied requests for lists of departments that will be represented.

At Carnegie Mellon University, about 75 students and other activists marched around noon, chanting slogans, playing music and holding yellow-and-black signs demanding free education. The group included some self-described anarchists dressed in black and carrying a red and black flag.

'PENNSYLVANIA CASH 5'

One player hits 'Cash 5' jackpot

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — One player matched all five winning numbers drawn in Wednesday's "Pennsylvania Cash 5" game and will collect a jackpot worth $125,000.

Lottery officials said 94 players matched four numbers and won $179.50 each; 3,135 players matched three numbers and won $9 each; and 35,232 players matched two numbers and won $1 each.

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NIGHT PICK BIG 4: 5-9-8-7
DAY QUINTO: 8-8-2-3-4
NIGHT QUINTO: 9-3-9-1-6
TREASURE HUNT: 9-12-22-25-29
CASH 5: 1-7-10-14-37
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DAY PICK 3: 0-5-8
NIGHT PICK 3: 7-6-1
DAY PICK 4: 3-8-6-8
NIGHT PICK 4: 6-0-9-1
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DAILY 4: 0-2-2-7
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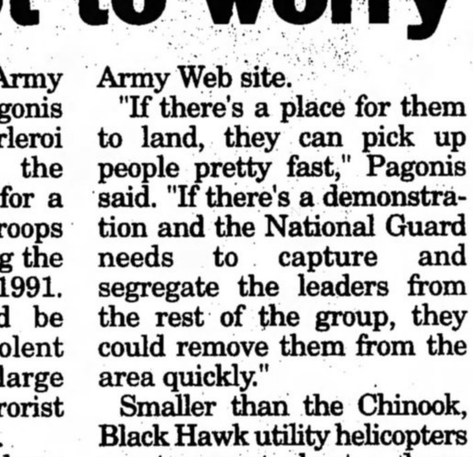

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OUR OPINION

G-20 Summit isn't worth the trouble

NOW COMES THE Group of 20 economic summit. Yee-haw.

And how ironic it is that this gathering of the world's top cluckety clucks and muckety mucks, ostensibly held to slay the globe's economic ills, has caused such upheaval in Pittsburgh, its host city.

Just as ironic, however, is that Pittsburgh, in particular, and taxpayers, in general, will pay such a steep price — tens of millions of dollars — for an event that history shows to be pretty much, well, useless.

"The sessions will be people largely reading speeches they haven't seen before," Paul O'Neill, the former CEO of Alcoa (when it still actually was a Pittsburgh-based company) and Treasury secretary under George W. Bush, told a reporter. "(T)hey don't say anything of much consequence, really."

Adds Brian Domitrovic, a history professor at Sam Houston State University, writing in an op-ed: "(T)he meetings never really have accomplished anything, at least anything positive."

In other words, it's show and tell — posturing — and at considerable expense and gross public inconvenience.

Defenders of this high-priced gabfest say such meetings can foster familiarity and, hence, better cooperation. Perhaps that's so. And if it is, that's great. So why not do just that in a more remote location that would truly serve the supposedly sound economics that the G-20 participants preach?

That said, this is the 21st century. Haven't these folks ever heard of teleconferencing?

ANOTHER VIEW

Los Angeles Times, on interrogation techniques and the request of seven former CIA directors:

It wasn't their intention, but seven former CIA directors who asked President Obama to abort a Justice Department inquiry into "enhanced interrogation techniques" have moved Obama to renew his promise that he will do no such thing.

Last month, Atty. Gen. Eric H. Holder Jr. asked a career federal prosecutor, John H. Durham, to conduct a "preliminary review" into whether laws were violated in overseas interrogations of suspected terrorists. Holder made it clear that interrogators who complied with Justice Department guidelines, inadequate as they were, had nothing to fear.

That didn't prevent the former directors from sending Obama a letter asking him to "exercise your authority to reverse" Holder's decision. They argued that the inquiry was unfair to CIA employees who thought the Bush administration's decision not to prosecute was final and now lived in an "atmosphere of continual jeopardy"; that the inquiry will threaten cooperation from foreign intelligence services; and that "there is no reason to expect that the reopened criminal investigation will remain narrowly focused." None of these arguments is persuasive. ...

It's not surprising that former CIA directors would speak up for the agency's employees, but they should have paid more attention to the ethical niceties of the relationship between the White House and the Justice Department. In requesting that Obama overrule the attorney general for the sake of CIA morale, they also were asking the president to abandon his assurances that Holder, an Obama campaign advisor, would put the law above loyalty to the White House.

We remain skeptical that the indefensible interrogation methods countenanced by the Bush administration will give rise to criminal prosecutions, let alone convictions. ... Even so, Holder's decision shouldn't be second-guessed by the president, especially because of outside pressure.

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ACORN scandal has deep roots

Kathryn **LOPEZ**

ACORN, the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, is a scandal. This story has become breaking news lately thanks to some recent guerilla journalism. But the problems of ACORN represent a broader, and even more scandalous idea: the conventional acceptance of the left's self-righteous claims to having a monopoly on all politics, policy and lifestyles that are good.

ACORN, if you haven't heard, is a radical organization that devotes itself with laser-like intensity to the maxim that all politics is local. The group supposedly exists to find affordable housing and provide social services for low-income families. But when two undercover, enterprising young people equipped with a hidden camera walked into an ACORN office, posing as an over-the-top pimp and prostitute wanting to establish a brothel dealing in enslaved children from other countries, ACORN employees offered the two advice: how to get on welfare; how to cheat the tax system; how to get housing from the government; and how to hide the criminal profit (a tin in your back yard, natch).

In the wake of the video, the Senate — with seven notable exceptions — voted to bar new federal funding for ACORN. But beyond the outrageous seven and the video, this is an opportunity for deeper revelations still.

Federally aided counsel to a pimp and prostitute and pervasive allegations of voter fraud aren't the worst of it. The reaction that has greeted the furor has been the most disturbing facet of the whole sorry affair.

There is a place, a time and a need for getting to the bottom of the whys and hows of social pathologies. But that time is not while watching an organization that gets federal funding offer help with the sex trafficking of children on YouTube. And yet that was the default position of some on the left to this scandal.

ACORN's chief executive Bertha Lewis would eventually surrender to the demand for atonement, and issue a statement saying, "We have all been deeply disturbed by what we've seen in some of these videos. I must say, on behalf of ACORN's Board and our Advisory Council, that we will go to whatever lengths necessary to re-establish the public trust." But that was only after being on adamant defense.

And Lewis wasn't alone in self-protection mode. When the first video dropped, a blog on National Public Radio's Web site excused crimes as part and parcel of the plight of the community organizer: "It's also important to keep in mind that ACORN's workers are coming from the same low-income neighborhoods the organization serves, with all that entails — poor schools, high crime and the sorts of social problems that have been documented for decades."

The post continued: "So the flaws conservatives are pointing out about ACORN are not so much problems associated with that organization per se but more about the problems of being poor and minority in urban America."

Don't blame them, in other words. They can't help themselves, they're poor people.

And herein lies the deeper scandal — it's not just the denial of what is right in front of your face, it's denial of a bad mode of operating, of a sickness in policy and philosophy.

For as much as the right is attacked for being dismissive of the poor and most vulnerable, the left clutches that which continues the plight of government dependence among so many.

ACORN is wedded to stale thinking that all too often makes people dependent, crushes responsibility, creativity and our very natures. And the Obama administration only plans to continue to increase welfare spending, ensuring that the system that gave birth to ACORN and its inexcusable conduct will continue to thrive.

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That NPR item began with the announcement that the "'ACORN versus conservatives' contest of wills is beginning to look like some new version of the Cold War with either side claiming the other is evil and vowing to never give in until it prevails."

There's something to that observation, actually. These tea parties, best sellers about liberty and tyranny and liberal fascism, they're about something: they're about ideas.

Most of all, they're about preserving that which makes America exceptional.

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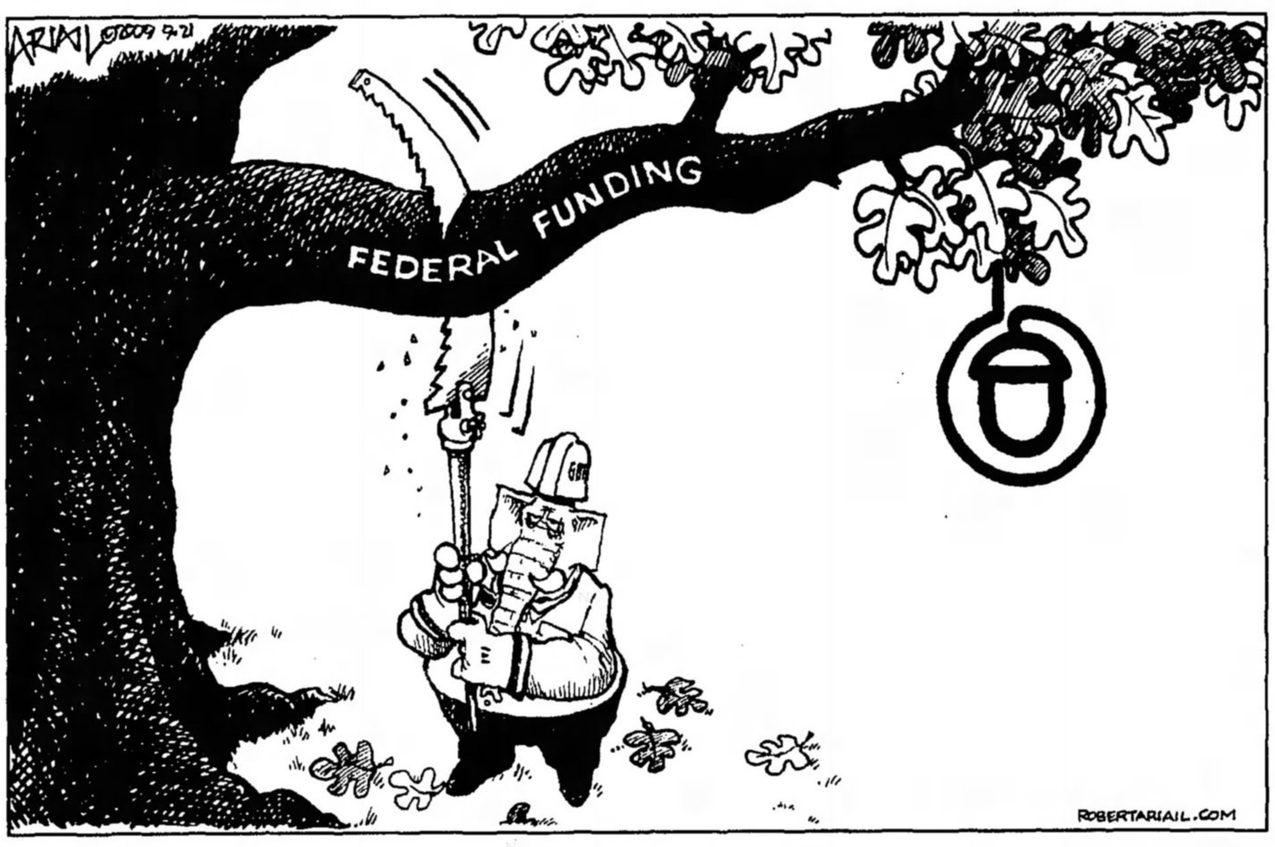

Pa. government too big, too expensive

YOUR OPINION

To the Editor:

Do we really need all these full-time people? I refer to the Pennsylvania Legislature and the thousands of staff and support personnel.

In a very well written commentary by Dale Davenport that appeared last Sunday in our Patriot-News; Dale reminded me of the "good old days" when we had a part-time legislature. Thanks, Dale! Great job!

Life was simpler back then. Budgets were voted on every two years! Legislators spent much time at home working in their professions, businesses and/or jobs.

In 1979, the legislature employed 1,430 staff personnel. Thirty years later, we have over twice that many. Do we really need a full-time legislature with a bloated staff and all their perks, benefits and an approximate $200,000,000 "emergency" fund? I for one, think not!

We're the sixth largest state population wise. We have the largest full-time legislature with 253 senators and representatives and arguably the largest support staff of the 50 states.

California, the largest state, has a legislature of 120 with 600 less staffers. The second state in population, Texas, has 181 part-time legislators and 1,000 fewer staff.

The third, New York, has 212 legislators and around 100 more staff than Pennsylvania. The fourth state, Florida, has 160 part-time legislators and 1,200 fewer staff. The fifth state, Illinois, has 177 part-time legislators with 1,900 fewer staff.

Need money to help balance the budget? Look to the savings we could derive from reducing the size of our legislature and staff. Will this happen? Nope! Not until we can elect a majority of true reformers, not some of the pretend reformers we've elected since the 2005 pay grab fiasco.

We have elected some good true reformers in office presently, but they are a minority. Your vote for true reform does count!

The current budget fiasco reminded me of a story about Pennsylvania government never having enough money for its big-time spending habits:

A little Pennsylvania boy wanted $100 very badly and prayed for weeks, but nothing happened. Then he decided to write God a letter requesting the $100.

When the postal authorities received the letter to God, they decided to send it to the governor. The governor was so amused that he instructed his secretary to send the little boy a $5 bill.

The governor thought this would appear to be a lot of money to a little boy. The little boy was delighted with the $5 bill and sat down to write a thank-you note to God, which read:

Dear God:

Thank you very much for sending the money. However, I noticed that for some reason you sent it through Harrisburg, Pa., and those ******* deducted $95 in taxes.

(Sound familiar?)

Bill McIntyre
Camp Hill, Pa.

Demon House is frightful favorite

Halloween attraction promises to "scare the living soul out of you."

By STACY WOLFORD
Staff Writer
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As the witching season is upon us, the denizens of the Demon House are preparing to rise from the shadows to invoke screams all through Halloween.

And no one is more excited than Demon House business manager Billy McCue.

McCue is gearing up for the Demon House's sixth season. The haunting begins at 7:30 Friday and continues every Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening through Nov. 1.

McCue said he is especially excited to invite visitors back to the stone mansion off of Coyle Curtin Road in Carroll Township as many new haunts and attractions have been added.

McCue said the entire mansion, outdoor environment and labyrinth have been reconstructed from top to bottom to provide "fresh sights, scares and surprises."

"As soon as you walk onto the estate, the haunting experience starts," McCue said.

He said what makes Demon House different from other haunted attractions is that guests don't have to wait in long lines.

The outdoor haunted area features games, a covered shelter, a new, enlarged movie theatre, food and bonfires.

"We'll keep you dry when it rains and warm when it's cold," he said.

Guests are called into the Demon House when the bell rings their group number, allowing them to roam the grounds and engage in the outdoor activities.

Once inside Demon House, McCue says the "haunted mansion's spirits, monsters and forbidding creatures of the night will scare the living soul out of you, and the lost souls inhabiting the mansion will amaze you with their power."

He said ghost hunters and paranormal groups have long considered Demon House to be a major center of supernatural activity in the region and invites paranormal groups to come visit.

"The mansion is a hotbed for paranormal activity," McCue said. Investigators have encountered curious phenomena, including a mysterious girl who appears and vanishes at random.

Many visitors comment that they can't tell the live actors from ghastly apparitions.

The self-guided tour introduces guests to the numerous "residents" of the terrifying mansion, including a mad scientist, a twisted, psychopathic killer, a tormented psychiatrist, flesh-eating zombies and more.

Demon House, located off Coyle Curtin Road in Carroll Township, will be open every weekend through Nov. 1.

After the tour, guests don't have to leave the mansion, as they can stroll the grounds until the witching hour, with food and entertainment available all evening.

McCue said proceeds from Demon House ticket sales benefit St. Agnes Roman Catholic Church, Richeyville.

"We're excited for a brand new season," McCue said.

In addition to this weekend, Demon House mansion will remain open every weekend through Nov. 1, with special showings on Thursdays Oct. 15, 22 and 29, and Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Admission on Fridays and Saturdays is $17. Tickets are $15 on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. Season passes and VIP tickets are also available.

For more information, go to demonhouse.com.

Pirate mystery to be performed

Premiere Entertainment will present the audience participation "you-solve-it" murder mystery about pirates in the Indian Ocean.

The show, called "Pirate Grotto — Dead Men Do Tell Tales" will be presented Saturday. The cast of possible suspects includes:

■ Habaka, The Witch Doctor, the mysterious shaman often seen in Captain Jack's company.

For a small price Habaka will contact "the other side" and speak to the dearly and not so dearly departed. Habaka uses bones and other objects to read the future.

■ Yves Eaux, The Corsair, is the Quartermaster on Jack's ship, but has acquired enough of a fortune to settle down and start a new life. But his bad eye and bum leg keep him from looking respectable. He walks with the aid of a crutch.

■ Diego, the Spanish privateer, lives a luxurious life on his vast estate just outside of town. He offers the pirates of the Indian Ocean a safe haven, supplying their ships in exchange for stolen booty, some of which he presents to his King in Spain, most of which he keeps for himself. He carries a large sack of gold coins with him.

■ Bertha, the serving wench, works at the "Rusty Anchor" Port Bourbon's notorious tavern and inn. No visit to the island would be complete with a can of flip served by the beautiful barmaid herself. She's been in the company of pirates for so long she talks like one. She carries a beer mug or rum jug with her.

■ IMA, the Governess, is a straight-laced lass who is raising the governor's children by the book. Outwardly, she's as cold as ice. Inside, she's a hopeless romantic who cares for nothing but reading. When not watching the children she can be found with her nose in a book.

■ Lieutenant Lee, the Naval Officer, is the newly appointed Surveyor-General. Lee is determined to rid the British colonies in the Indian Ocean of corruption and piracy once and for all. He is never seen out of uniform and his sword remains sheathed in its scabbard by his side.

■ Lord Hiram, the Governor, spends more time getting dressed in the morning than governing Port Bourbon. He adores parties and wouldn't dream of missing his morning ride. He carries a riding crop with him which he taps on his knees when nervous.

■ Sukey, the farmer's daughter, took over the family business. She runs her sugar plantation with an iron fist. She carries a parasol with her to protect her porcelain complexion from the harsh mid-day sun.

■ Mrs. Hornswoggle is the Land Lady. After her late husband, Henry Hornswoggle, passed away, Harrietta carried on running "The Rusty Anchor." She likes the company of free men, pirates, and merchants alike, but she carries a rolling pin with her at all times, just in case. She puts on airs and tries to sound like a lady.

Or could the killer be the poor young waif Even, the Powder Monkey, a young orphan who has worked on most of the ships.

With several paper clues, a bribe section and a treasure hunt, guests will have plenty to do in between courses of dinner as they try to figure out who killed Captain Jack.

The dinner and show begin at 7 p.m. The performance will take place at the Curfew Grange in Flatwoods, at the corner of route 201 South and Buena Vista road. Reservations are necessary; call (724) 366-7923. Seating is limited and groups are welcome.

Dinner will consist of soup, salad, choice of stuffed chicken breast or roast beef, Potato, vegetable, rolls and butter, and a beverage. The cost is $20 per person.

Cal U auditions set

California University's Department of Theatre and Dance, along with the Mon Valley Dance Council, will audition singers and dancers for roles in "A Christmas Carol, the Musical," Oct. 3, at Steele Hall Mainstage Theatre on the Cal U campus.

Performers can audition for singing and dancing roles. Participants should dress appropriately and arrive 30 minutes before their audition times.

Male and female performers of all ages and ability levels are needed.

Auditions are set by age:

■ Ages 6-8: dance, 11 a.m.; singing, 11:55.

■ Ages 9-12: singing, 11 a.m.; dance, 11:55.

■ Ages 13-18: dance, 12:50; singing, 1:35.

■ Adults: singing, 12:50; dance, 1:35.

Dr. Michael Slavin will direct this year's musical. Donna Marovic-Anthony is the choreographer.

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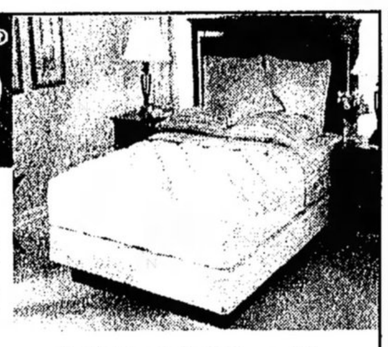

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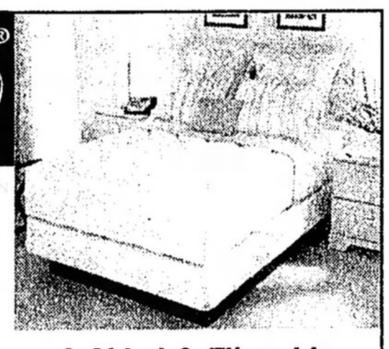

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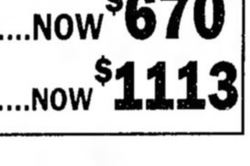

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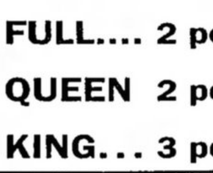

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Missing in action

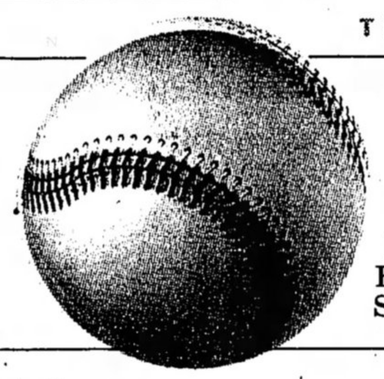
After a second-place finish last year, Carl Edwards has suffered through a lackluster 2009. **2B**

Lady Rams edged

Ringgold controlled most of Wednesday's game, but still lost to Trinity, 1-0. **4B**

Sports Trivia

Who is the Cincinnati Bengals' all-time winningest coach? **4B**



Last night's scores

Washington 5, L.A. Dodgers 4
Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Florida 7, Philadelphia 6
Milwaukee 3, Chicago Cubs 2
Houston 3, St. Louis 0
San Diego 6, Colorado 3

Brian **HERMAN**

Picking area football winners

Taking a look at this weekend's area football games after an 8-2 showing brought the season record to 24-4:

THOMAS JEFFERSON AT RINGGOLD

Big 7 opener for Rams, who've scored 90 points in their last two games over the Keystone's Albert Gallatin and Southmoreland: Thomas Jefferson, the defending PIAA and WPIAL Class AAA champion, has an impressive 40-game winning streak against WPIAL schools and hasn't lost a Big 7 game since the 2005 finale at West Mifflin. TJ is averaging more than 34 points a game after rolling over H.D. Woodson of Washington, D.C. (38-0), Uniontown (34-19) and Trinity (34-7). The Jaguars feature one of the WPIAL's top passing acts with Sam Johnston throwing to Jim Giansante. Johnston has completed 23 of 36 passes for 502 yards and seven touchdowns, with Giansante catching 14 passes for 354 yards and five scores. The last time TJ played at Joe Montana Stadium, the Jaguars dropped the Rams, 49-6, in 2004. It will be a lot closer this time. TJ by 28 points.

SOUTH ALLEGHENY AT CHARLEROI

Charleroi is eyeing its first three-game winning streak since 2004 when the Cougars won six straight in a 6-4 campaign. Coached for the second straight year by Pat Monroe, South Allegheny is winless with defeats to Brownsville (21-14), Waynesburg (27-7) and Jeannette (63-6). It hasn't helped that returning junior quarterback Zack Anderson, who threw for more than 900 yards and 10 TDs as a sophomore, fractured his foot in practice last month and isn't expected back until October at the earliest. Last year the Glads won 12-7. Charleroi wins its homecoming contest by three touchdowns..

MONESSEN AT WEST GREENE

Home opener for the Pioneers who are off to a familiar 0-3 start. West Greene hasn't shown much defense in losses to Chartiers-Houston (42-20), Fort Cherry (47-6) and California (43-0). The Pioneers have lost 17 in a row since a 42-20 win at Geibel Sept. 22, 2007. Monessen holds a whopping 19-1-1 advantage in the all-time series. The loss was 28-16 in 1992 when Greyhound coach Andy Pacak was an assistant. Go with Monessen by 35 points.

GREENSBURG SALEM AT BVA

Non-conference game between former Keystone rivals. The Golden Lions rebounded from an opening 40-7 loss to Quad A Hempfield by shading Trinity (10-7) and downing Albert Gallatin (28-6). Greensburg's Matt Adams ran for 186 yards against AG with Nate Sphon throwing a pair of touchdown passes. With Matt Green and Cory Williams, BVA has a solid one-two running punch. The Golden Lions own four straight wins over the Leps, including a 17-3 victory in their last game at James Weir Stadium in 2004. In a mild upset the pick is BVA by two points.

ELIZABETH FORWARD AT TRINITY

Big 7 matchup features two of the conference's premier players in Michigan-bound end-linebacker Ken Wilkins of Trinity and running back Greg Sotereanos of Elizabeth Forward. The Hillers are still looking for their first win after losing to Quad A Canon-McMillan (36-22), Greensburg Salem (10-7) and Thomas Jefferson (34-7). Trinity topped the Warriors, 28-17, last year. EF is coming off a tough 10-9 home loss to unbeaten West Mifflin. In a close one, the pick is Trinity by four points.

AVELLA AT FRAZIER

What a difference a week makes. After having to face one of Class A's powerhouses in Clairton, the Commodores take on one of the WPIAL's patsies. After snapping the WPIAL's longest losing streaks at 27 with an opening 44-28 win over Geibel, Avella has gone down to Jefferson-Morgan (42-6) and Chartiers-Houston (12-0). Last year, Frazier flattened Avella, 53-7. The Commodores snap their four-game home losing skid by four touchdowns.

Derry at Yough

A blocked punt in the final minute ended up costing Yough its first win under new coach Jim Ward in a 19-14 defeat at Laurel Highlands. Like the Cougars, the Trojans are off to an 0-3 start with losses to Quad A Latrobe (21-0), West Mifflin (30-200 and Uniontown (21-13). Last year, Yough was a 27-7 winner at Derry. Derry gets even by seven points.

Clairton at Bentworth

After giving up 106 points in its first three games, Bentworth's defense may be in for another long night. Clairton rebounded from its 15-8 loss at Laurel by pounding Monessen (46-0) and Frazier (62-7). Last year, Clairton clobbered the Bearcats, 51-0. Enough said? Go with Clairton by 50.

California at Geibel

The Gators are playing their first home game at noon Saturday. Geibel shows a 27-21 win at Bentworth between losses to Avella (44-28) and Jefferson-Morgan (47-19). Christian Henckel's 80-yard kick return highlighted the loss in last week's Tri-County South opener. The last time Cal played in Connellsville, the Trojans went home a 33-6 winner in 2007. Cal owns 10 straight wins over Geibel. Make that 11 by 27 points.

CLARION AT CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY

The Golden Eagles have sandwiched wins over Fairmont State (33-21) and Lock Haven (24-0) around losses to Kutztown (25-6) and East Stroudsburg (45-31). The Golden Eagles' Tyler Huether is the conference's No. 3 passer, averaging 233 yards a game. Clarion junior Jacques Robinson is the conference's leading pass catcher with 28 receptions for 289 yards. Clarion strong safety Nick Sipes, who played running back last year, was named the PSAC West's Defensive Player of the Week after making 11 solos tackles against Lock Haven. Cal has won the last four meetings to even the all-time series at 38-38-3. The kickoff is 3 p.m. The pick is California by three touchdowns.

Bengals won't miss Polamalu

Cincinnati players say the Steelers aren't the same without All-Pro safety.

By ALAN ROBINSON
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — One Steelers player after another is saying it: These aren't the Bengals who have lost their last eight home games against the Steelers. These aren't the Bengals who have beaten Pittsburgh only twice in 11 games.

What they aren't saying is this: These aren't the same Steelers who won those games, either.

As long as the Steelers are without injured All-Pro safety Troy Polamalu, they probably won't be as intimidating defensively as they were while winning the Super Bowl twice in the last four seasons. Polamalu is arguably the one player who separates the Steelers from other teams, the one player who is the most difficult to replace.

"The difference (without Polamalu) is obvious to everybody," free safety Ryan Clark said Wednesday.

Polamalu will miss his second game in a row Sunday due to a torn medial collateral ligament in his left knee, and he could be out for as long as another month after that.

The Bengals are all but issuing this plea: Hey Troy, don't rush back.

"I'm absolutely glad he's not going to be out there," said quarterback Carson Palmer, Polamalu's friend and former roommate at Southern Cal. "We need to win this game, and our chances are better when Troy is not on the football field. That goes for whoever plays against the Steelers. When your best player is not on the field, you're not at full strength."

Especially when that All-Pro player's possible replacement was passed over by every other team in the league last season.

Tyrone Carter, the 10-year veteran who was picked on regularly Sunday by Bears quarterback Jay Cutler during Pittsburgh's 17-14 loss, might not play in Cincinnati because of a bruised left thigh. If he can't go, former West Virginia safety Ryan Mundy would make his first NFL start.

Mundy was a sixth-round pick who was cut at the end of training camp a year ago before re-signing with the Steelers during the offseason.

Mundy said the worst thing he could do would be to try to replicate Polamalu's playmaking ability.

Associated Press

Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer, left, talks with head coach Marvin Lewis.

"I'm not trying to be Troy," Mundy said. "I'm trying to be the best Ryan Mundy I can be. Troy has been very helpful to me, giving me tips and reminders and everything like that. Coach (Mike) Tomlin said the standard is the standard every

(See POLAMALU, Page 4B)

California's Sarah Shashura is the defending WPIAL girls' singles champ. She will play for the school's boys' team this season.

Christopher Horner/ For The Valley Independent

Cal's Shashura will test skills against boys

Reigning WPIAL girls' singles champion won't defend her title this year.

By KEITH BARNES
For The Valley Independent

California High sophomore Sarah Shashura is full of surprises.

As a freshman in 2008, she shocked the field by becoming the first fourth seed in five years to win the WPIAL Class AA girls' singles championship. This year, she sent another large ripple through the tennis community when she decided not to defend her title, but opted instead to play for the California boys' team next spring.

"California doesn't have a girls' team, so I decided I wanted to experience what it was like to be a part of a team," Shashura said. "That's the reason why I want to play on the boys' team."

In last year's tournament, Shashura won the Section 1 title as an independent.

She survived a scare from Sewickley Academy's Logan Antill in the second round of pro-set play before ousting top-seeded Kimmy Borza, of Beaver, in the semifinals. Then, she won a tight straight-sets match against Elise Held of Vincentian, 7-6 (7-0), 6-4, to become the first California student to win a WPIAL singles championship.

Annie Houghton of Quaker Valley was the last No. 4 seed to win a Class AA title.

She knocked off Kristi Borza, of Beaver, in the 2003 semifinals, then beat her teammate, Alexandra Kaluza, in the championship.

Houghton went on to win the WPIAL title the following year, something that Shashura won't do by choice. But not defending her title is something Shashura doesn't regret.

"That really didn't come across my mind," Shashura said. "I'm doing a lot of stuff independently as far as sectionals and things like that, and I just want to be a part of a team. It wasn't really hard to make that decision."

Instead of getting ready for the WPIAL Class AA singles championships at 1 p.m. today at North Allegheny, she is training for a regional tournament this weekend in Erie. Without Shashura in the WPIAL tournament, Held, who was last year's runner-up, enters as the top seed in the bracket. Antill is No. 2.

Still, Shashura isn't is the first girl to play boys' tennis. In fact, it is becoming more common.

Last year, Karli and Tanya Timko of Chartiers-Houston became the first girls to win the WPIAL Class AA boys doubles championship before losing in the first round of the PIAA tournament. The last girl to play boys' singles was Latrobe's Michaela Kissell, a three-time WPIAL and PIAA Class AAA girls champion, who was forced to play for the boys team in 2007 after tearing her right anterior cruciate ligament less than two months before her senior season.

Kissell won the Section 1 singles boys championship before losing in the second round of the WPIAL tournament.

Seeing how other girls have performed against boys has not been a deterrent, but rather a challenge, for Shashura.

"I hope I do well, and hope that I do as well as I did against the girls," Shashura said. "Boys play a different game. Boys seem to mix up their shots more, use a lot of slices, and they're not afraid to come to the net so much and they're comfortable at the net."

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"There's no holding back, nothing. We have to go. We have to try to go every week. Some weeks are going to be better than others."

— Juan Pablo Montoya, on competing in the Chase.

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What happened to Carl Edwards this season?

Driver experiences performance drop-off compared to last year but remains confident

BY JIM UTTER
McClatchy Newspapers

There was no bigger fan of the Chase for the Sprint Cup format than Carl Edwards this season.

Why?

Because the "reset" of series points that comes with the start of the Chase erased the enormous deficit Edwards faced compared to then-series leader Tony Stewart and reinvigorated Edwards' title hopes.

With nine of the 10 races left to determine the champion, Edwards is 11th in points, but 113 points behind leader Mark Martin — still a workable margin.

Yet that's a far cry from last season, when Edwards entered the Chase with six wins and ended the year with a series-high nine victories and lost the championship to Jimmie Johnson by 69 points.

"I feel like last year's experience in the Chase was really valuable to me," said Edwards, as he prepares for Sunday's AAA 400 at Dover (Del.) International Speedway.

"To be able to stay within reach of Jimmie until the last part, the final race, the last lap — I think that experience and going through those emotions, battling through some adversity through a few bad races that we had, I think that's good. I think it helps me."

The more important question is why Roush Fenway Racing, and in particular Edwards, had such a drop-off in performance this season?

No one has been able to touch on a single answer. Speed has been mentioned, the geometry of the cars Roush prepares. The organization has worked on the problem all season.

Last season, three Roush drivers — Edwards, Matt Kenseth and Greg Biffle — made the Chase and Edwards and Biffle both won two or more races.

This year, Kenseth started the year with a pair of wins at Daytona and California but failed to make the Chase. And Edwards and Biffle did make the Chase field, but neither has won a race.

Biffle struggled just to make the Chase field and Edwards had a sub-par performance in last weekend's Chase opener at New Hampshire.

"For our team to have the type of Chase we had last season where we were battling until Homestead, we've got to keep gaining ground like we have," Edwards said. "Our pit crew (has) worked really hard, two, three times a day, practicing pit stops.

"And our cars, we've been working really hard behind the scenes, all the engineers and all the minimal testing that we've been able to do. We've been looking at that trying to put it together into something that we can use for these last 10 races."

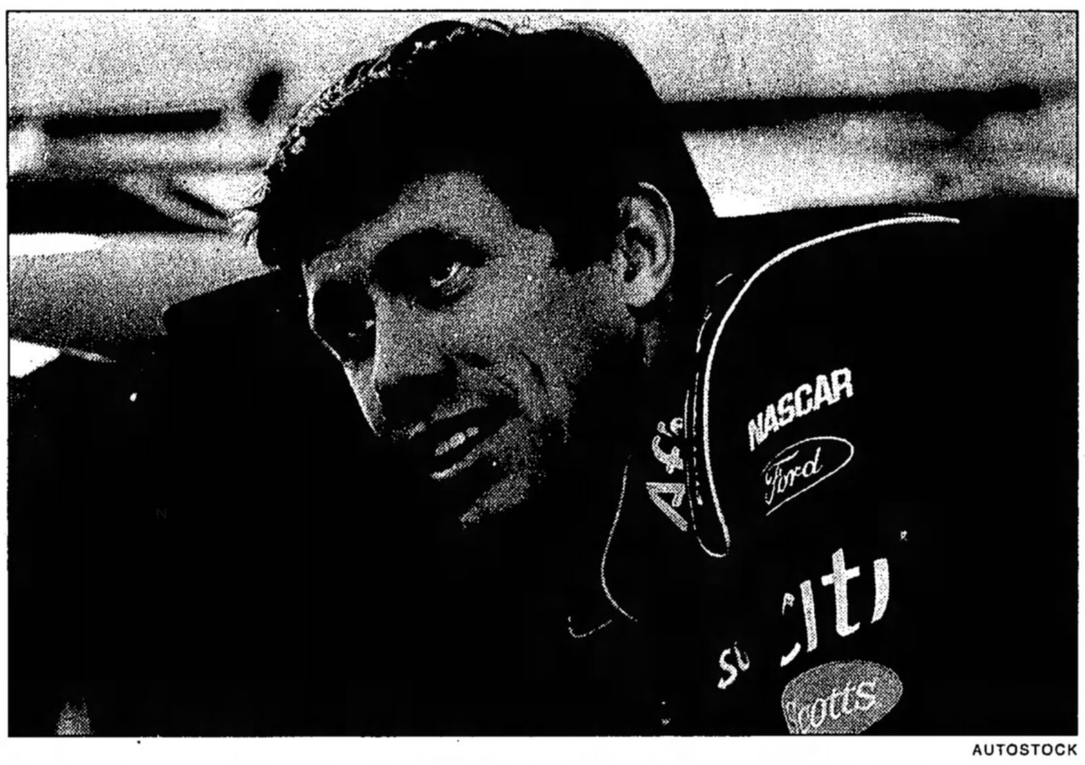
But is it too late?

Since the Chase format's inception in 2004, only one driver (Johnson in 2006) has won the championship that finished lower than sixth in the first of the 10 races. Edwards was 17th last weekend and Biffle finished ninth.

Edwards remains undaunted.

"I define my successes on my effort that I put out, personally how I perform and how our guys perform, and if that yields a championship, that's great," he said. "And if it doesn't, we've still got to keep our heads up.

"I'm going into this thing thinking we can win it. I know we haven't performed to that level lately, but we're going to throw everything we've got at it."



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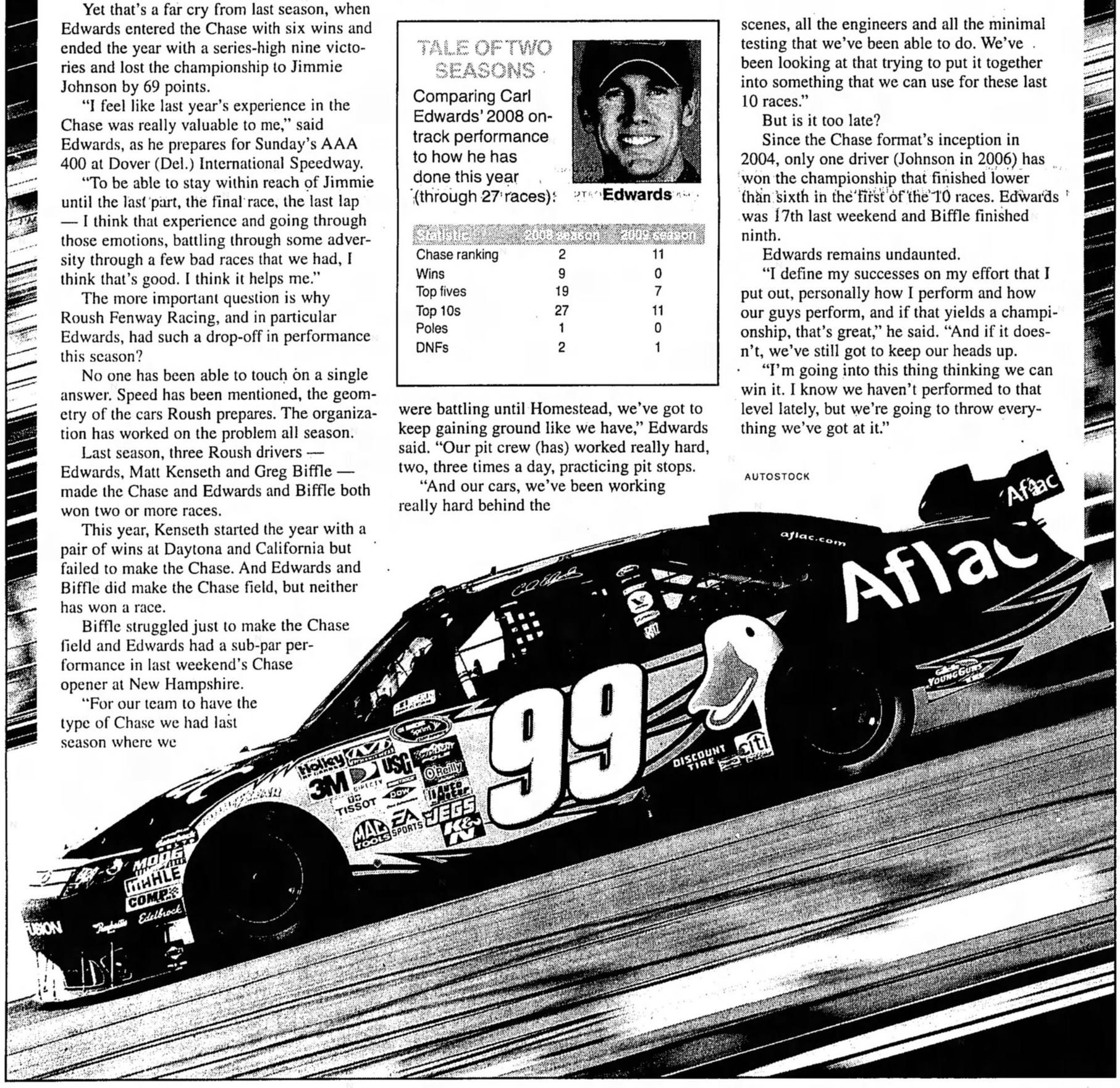
Carl Edwards is 11th in the Sprint Cup standings with 5117 points, 113 behind the first-place Mark Martin.

TALE OF TWO SEASONS

Comparing Carl Edwards' 2008 on-track performance to how he has done this year (through 27 races):

Edwards

Statistic	2008 season	2009 season
Chase ranking	2	11
Wins	9	0
Top fives	19	7
Top 10s	27	11
Poles	1	0
DNFs	2	1



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THIS WEEK'S RACE

AAA 400

Where: Dover International Speedway, a 1-mile concrete oval located in Dover, Del.

When: Sunday at 1 p.m. (all times ET). Qualifying is 3:10 p.m. Friday.

TV: ABC.

Radio: Motor Racing Network.

Last year's winner: Greg Biffle.

Worth mentioning: The "Budweiser Celebrity Billiards Shootout," a $10,000 winner-takes-all charity tournament, returns to Dover Downs Hotel & Casino on Friday at 7 p.m. Tickets are available for $15 by calling (800) 711-5882. Among the celebrities participating are NASCAR drivers Casey Mears and Kasey Kahne, and NASCAR TV personalities Hermie Sadler, Jamie Little, Shannon Spake and Wendy Venturini.

STOP 'N' GO

WHO'S HOT

Martin

■ **Mark Martin:** A sense of inevitability seems to being growing.

■ **Juan Pablo Montoya:** Sooner, rather than later, he will be visiting Victory Lane.

■ **Denny Hamlin:** Steady performance at New Hampshire has him in thick of championship hunt.

WHO'S NOT

■ **Roush Fenway Racing:** Anybody seen these teams?

■ **Kasey Kahne:** Blown engine a bad break to start the Chase.

■ **Dale Earnhardt Jr.:** I don't know if he could buy luck right now.

■ **NASCAR:** Implemented a rule against racing back to the caution. Now, enforce it.

— Jim Utter

BY THE NUMBERS

SPRINT CUP POINTS LEADERS

The top-40 drivers as of Sept. 27:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Mark Martin	5230	21. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	2686
2. Jimmie Johnson	5195	22. Kevin Harvick	2680
3. Denny Hamlin	5195	23. Jamie McMurray	2673
4. Juan Montoya	5175	24. Martin Truex Jr.	2561
5. Kurt Busch	5165	25. Elliott Sadler	2558
6. Tony Stewart	5156	26. A.J. Allmendinger	2543
7. Ryan Newman	5151	27. Sam Hornish Jr.	2486
8. Brian Vickers	5140	28. Reed Sorenson	2445
9. Greg Biffle	5138	29. Bobby Labonte	2401
10. Jeff Gordon	5128	30. David Ragan	2378
11. Carl Edwards	5117	31. David Stremme	2368
12. Kasey Kahne	5069	32. Paul Menard	2268
13. Kyle Busch	3350	33. Robby Gordon	2106
14. Matt Kenseth	3259	34. Michael Waltrip	2100
15. Clint Bowyer	3193	35. Scott Speed	1934
16. David Reutimann	3175	36. John Andretti	1875
17. Marcos Ambrose	2938	37. David Gilliland	1473
18. Jeff Burton	2853	38. Regan Smith	1114
19. Joey Logano	2805	39. Joe Nemechek	1022
20. Casey Mears	2763	40. Dave Blaney	949

NATIONWIDE SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-20 drivers as of Sept. 11:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Kyle Busch	4379	11. Michael Annett	2707
2. Carl Edwards	4178	12. Kenny Wallace	2702
3. Brad Keselowski	4082	13. Tony Raines	2673
4. Jason Leffler	3599	14. Joey Logano	2609
5. Justin Allgaier	3152	15. Kevin Harvick	2603
6. Steve Wallace	3132	16. Eric McClure	2258
7. Jason Keller	2991	17. Scott Wimmer	2250
8. Brendan Gaughan	2957	18. David Ragan	2202
9. Mike Bliss	2950	19. Scott Lagasse Jr.	2194
10. Michael McDowell	2902	20. Danny O'Quinn Jr.	1985

NEXT RACE: Saturday, Dover 200, Dover, Del.

TRUCK SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-10 drivers as of Sept. 19:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1 Ron Hornaday	3055	6 Todd Bodine	2480
2 Matt Crafton	2838	7 Johnny Sauter	2452
3 Mike Skinner	2809	8 Rick Crawford	2441
4 Brian Scott	2608	9 David Starr	2434
5 Colin Braun	2515	10 Stacy Compton	2423

NEXT RACE: Saturday, Las Vegas 350, Las Vegas

How the Chase for the Cup drivers are faring in the playoffs

BY JIM UTTER
McClatchy Newspapers

Where the Chase for the Sprint Cup drivers stand after the Sylvania 300 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway:

1. Mark Martin (car No. 5): Martin earned his 40th career win on Sunday, which did not come as a surprise to his wife, Arlene.

"When we left Michigan, Arlene looked over to me and she said, 'Only three more to 40,' or something like that," Martin said.

"She's not much of a race fan. It was really odd. For her to know that number and I not know it, and for her to say so many to go to 40 was pretty strange."

2. Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48): Johnson led once for 14 laps late in the race, but the late cautions impeded his progress and he ended up fourth.

"The way the tires were cycling around, it worked out well," he said. "We were running strong all day long, and I'm glad we got a good top five."

3. Denny Hamlin (car No. 11): Were it not for all of the restarts in the final 25 laps, Hamlin may well have been in a strong position for the win. His No. 11 Toyota was simply not as good as the Chevrolets of Martin and Montoya on the restarts, so it took several laps before he could run with them.

Hamlin

4. Juan Pablo Montoya (car No. 42): Just as he had shown all weekend, Montoya was fastest during the early part of runs and the late cautions helped him make up considerable ground.

"Like the first 30 laps or 40 laps of the run, we were the fastest car. Then it seemed to go away. We just got really tight," he said. "Tried to work on it, couldn't really do too much."

5. Kurt Busch (car No. 2): Busch's day was nearly knocked off track when he and David Ragan made contact during a round of midrace pit stops. Ragan's car was spun completely around. Busch, however, eventually made it back to the lead.

6. Tony Stewart (car No. 14): Stewart was plagued with an axle cap that came off the right-rear, likely the result of something not done or missed prior to the start of the race.

It forced Stewart to make an extended pit stop on Lap 195, which sent him to the back of lead-lap cars. He restarted 26th on Lap 198 and finished 14th.

7. Ryan Newman (car No. 39): After a race in which track position became extremely critical, Newman was knocking himself for not having a better qualifying effort on Friday. (He started 18th.)

"Well, if we had a better qualifying effort I'm sure we could have had a better finish," he said. "We fought track position all day, working our way up."

8. Brian Vickers (car No. 83): Vickers had an uneventful day but quietly finished 11th, which is still his second-best finish in 11 starts at the track.

9. Greg Biffle (car No. 16): Biffle struggled to get better track position and managed to break into the top 10 (he was ninth) by the end of the race. But his performance was a clear indicator that Roush Fenway Racing continues to struggle.

10. Jeff Gordon (car No. 24): Gordon appeared to have a strong car that held its own with Montoya and Stewart much of the race. However, he lost critical ground on his last pit stop when a lug nut came loose, which required him to remain on pit road several additional seconds.

He also struggled on restarts.

11. Carl Edwards (car No. 99): It may seem obvious, but Edwards said what he needed most Sunday was speed.

"We worked hard all day and my guys did a great job on pit road, but (the car) just wasn't fast," he said. "In racing, it's really important to be fast."

12. Kasey Kahne (car No. 9): Kahne was running well, but on Lap 67 the engine blew up in his No. 9 Dodge, bringing an early end to his day.

"We just have to work extra hard now," Kahne said. "This team is doing a nice job. Hopefully, we can make some gains in those final nine (races)."

SPORTS

Major League Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	88	63	.583	—
Atlanta	82	70	.539	6 1/2
Florida	82	71	.536	7
New York	65	88	.425	24
Washington	52	99	.344	36

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	89	64	.582	—
Chicago	78	73	.517	10
Milwaukee	75	77	.493	13 1/2
Cincinnati	71	81	.467	17 1/2
Houston	71	81	.467	17 1/2
Pittsburgh	56	94	.373	31 1/2

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	91	61	.599	—
Colorado	86	66	.566	5
San Francisco	82	70	.539	9
San Diego	70	83	.458	21 1/2
Arizona	66	87	.431	25 1/2

Wednesday's Games

Cincinnati 12, Pittsburgh 2
Washington 5, L.A. Dodgers 4
Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Florida 7, Philadelphia 6
Milwaukee 3, Chicago Cubs 2
Houston 3, St. Louis 0
San Diego 6, Colorado 3
San Francisco 5, Arizona 2

Today's Games

Cincinnati (Arroyo 13-13) at Pittsburgh (Morton 4-8), 12:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (V.Padilla 3-0) at Washington (J.Martin 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Happ 10-4) at Milwaukee (Suppan 7-10), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Cl.Richard 4-2) at Colorado (Hammel 9-8), 8:40 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 10-8) at San Francisco (Penny 3-1), 10:15 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
y-New York	97	56	.634	—
Boston	90	61	.596	6
Tampa Bay	78	74	.513	18 1/2
Toronto	69	83	.454	27 1/2
Baltimore	60	92	.395	36 1/2

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	81	70	.536	—
Minnesota	79	73	.520	2 1/2
Chicago	73	80	.477	9
Kansas City	63	89	.414	18 1/2
Cleveland	61	90	.404	20

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	90	62	.592	—
Texas	83	68	.550	6 1/2
Seattle	79	73	.520	11
Oakland	72	80	.474	18

y-clinched playoff berth

Wednesday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 3, L.A. Angels 2
Detroit 11, Cleveland 3
Toronto 7, Baltimore 3
Tampa Bay 5, Seattle 4
Boston 9, Kansas City 2
Minnesota 8, Chicago White Sox 6
Texas 9, Oakland 8

Today's Games

Texas (Feldman 17-5) at Oakland (Bre.Anderson 10-10), 3:35 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 16-9) at Cleveland (C.Carrasco 0-2), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (F.Hernandez 16-5) at Toronto (R.Romero 12-9), 7:07 p.m.
Boston (Buchholz 6-3) at Kansas City (Lerew 0-0), 8:10 p.m.

Pirates boxscore

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Stubbs cf	6	2	2	0	AMcCt cf	4	1	2	0
Janish ss	4	2	0	0	Milledg lf	4	0	0	0
Votto 1b	5	3	4	1	GJones 1b	2	1	0	1
BPhllps 2b	3	1	1	2	Doumit c	4	0	2	0
Sutton pr-2b	0	1	0	0	Moss rf	3	0	0	1
Rolen 3b	3	1	2	2	Cedeno ss	4	0	0	0
ARosfs 3b	1	1	1	0	NWalkr 3b	2	0	1	0
Bruce rf	4	0	2	2	DBatst p	0	0	0	0
L.Nix lf	5	1	0	2	Wasqz p	0	0	0	0
CMiller c	4	0	1	2	R.Diaz ph	1	0	0	0
HBaily p	3	0	0	0	L.Cruz 2b	3	0	0	0
Barker ph	1	0	0	0	K.Hart p	2	0	0	0
Burton p	0	0	0	0	Dumtrt p	0	0	0	0
Viola p	0	0	0	0	AnLRc 3b	1	0	0	0
JFrncs ph	1	0	1	1					
RRmrz p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	40	12	14	12	Totals	30	2	5	2

Cincinnati	103	040	103	— 12
Pittsburgh	000	110	000	— 2

E—Cedeno (4). DP—Pittsburgh 1. LOB—Cincinnati 8, Pittsburgh 6. 2B—Votto 2 (31), A.McCutchen 2 (25). SB—Stubbs 2 (9). SF—Rolen, G.Jones, Moss.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
H.Bailey W,6-5	6	4	2	2	3	0
Burton	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Viola	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
R.Ramirez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Pittsburgh						
K.Hart L,4-8	4 1-3	8	8	8	3	2
Dumatrait	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	1
D.Bautista	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	2
V.Vasquez	1	3	3	2	0	0

HBP—by V.Vasquez (B.Phillips). WP—H.Bailey, K.Hart.
Umpires—Home, Bob Davidson; First, Todd Tichenor; Second, James Hoye; Third, Tim Tschida.
T—3:09. A—15,980 (38,362).

NHL preseason

Wednesday's Games

Buffalo 3, Toronto 2
New Jersey 4, N.Y. Islanders 2
Washington 6, Chicago 2
Atlanta 5, Nashville 4
Florida 4, Dallas 1
Phoenix 4, Tampa Bay 3, SO
Calgary 5, Edmonton 3
Colorado 3, Los Angeles 2
Vancouver 4, San Jose 3, SO

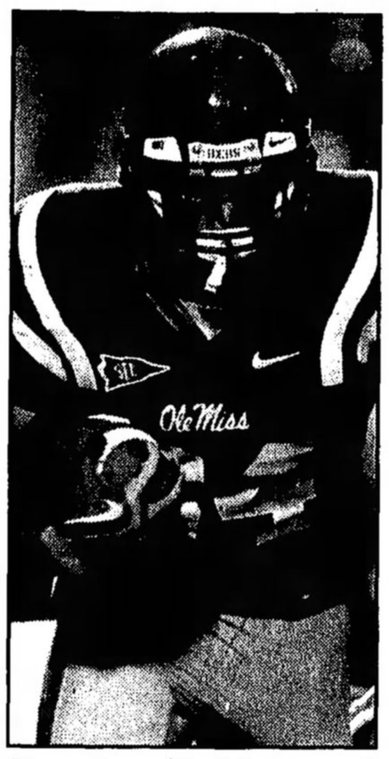
Today's Games

Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Boston at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Edmonton vs. Tampa Bay at Winnipeg, Manitoba, 8:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Frontier League finals

Best of 5
Wednesday

Lake Erie 13 River City10. Lake Erie wins series, 3-2



Brandon Bolden and Mississippi will face South Carolina at 7:30 p.m. on ESPN.

Sports dial

Today
Television

1 p.m. - Golf Channel - The Tour Championship, golf.
6:30 p.m. - Golf Channel - CVS Pharmacy Challenge, golf.
7 p.m. - Fox Sports - Central Catholic at Upper St. Clair, high school football.
7:30 p.m. - ESPN - Mississippi at South Carolina, college football.
8:30 p.m. - WCAL - High school roundup, football, tape.

Radio

12:35 p.m. - WPGB (104.7 FM) - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, baseball.
7 p.m. - WEAE 91250) - Central Catholic at Upper St. Clair, high school football.

High school football

Class AAA
Big Seven Conference

	League W	L	Overall W	L
Thomas Jefferson	1	0	3	0
Chartiers Valley	1	0	3	0
West Mifflin	1	0	3	0
Ringgold	0	0	2	1
Belle Vernon Area	0	1	2	1
Elizabeth Forward	0	1	2	1
Trinity	0	1	0	3

Friday

Thomas Jefferson at Ringgold
Elizabeth Forward at Trinity
Chartiers Valley at West Mifflin
Greensburg Salem at BV Area

Keystone Conference

	Con. W	L	Overall W	L
Uniontown	1	0	2	1
Greensburg Salem	1	0	2	1
Laurel Highlands	1	0	1	2
Southmoreland	0	0	0	3
Albert Gallatin	0	1	1	2
Yough	0	1	0	3
Derry	0	1	0	3

Friday

Derry at Yough
Albert Gallatin at Uniontown
Laurel Highlands at S'moreland
Greensbug Salem at BV Area

Class AA
Interstate Conference

	Con. W	L	Overall W	L
Jeannette	3	0	3	0
Mt. Pleasant	3	0	3	0
Greensburg Central	2	1	2	1
Charleroi	2	1	2	1
McGuffey	2	1	2	1
Waynesburg	1	2	1	2
Brownsville	1	2	1	2
Washington	1	2	1	2
South Allegheny	0	3	0	3
East Allegheny	0	3	0	3

Friday

South Allegheny at Charleroi
Brownsville at McGuffey
East Allegheny at Washington
Mt. Pleasant at Grb. Central
Waynesburg at Jeannette

Class A
Tri-County South

	Con. W	L	Overall W	L
Jefferson-Morgan	1	0	3	0
California	1	0	2	1
Beth-Center	1	0	2	1
Monessen	1	0	1	2
Geibel	0	1	1	2
Carmichaels	0	1	0	3
West Greene	0	1	0	3
Mapletown	0	1	0	3

Friday

Monessen at West Greene
Carmichaels at Mapletown
Jefferson-Morgan at Beth-Center

Saturday

California at Geibel (Noon)

Black Hills Conference

	Con. W	L	Overall W	L
Fort Cherry	1	0	3	0
Chartiers-Houston	1	0	3	0
Serra	1	0	3	0
Clairton	1	0	2	1
Bentworth	0	1	1	2
Avella	0	1	1	2
Frazier	0	1	1	2
Burgettstown	0	1	1	2

Friday

Clairton at Bentworth
Avella at Frazier
Fort Cherry at Serra
Burgettstown at C-Houston

PSAC football standings

West Division

	Conf. W	L	Overall W	L
Edinboro	1	0	3	1
California	1	0	2	2
Clarion	1	0	2	2
Mercyhurst	1	0	2	2
Indiana	0	1	3	1
Slippery Rock	0	1	3	1
Gannon	0	1	2	2
Lock Haven	0	1	0	3

Saturday

Noon - Edinboro at Gannon
2 p.m. - Mercyhurst at Lock Haven
3 p.m. - Clarion at California
7 p.m.- Indiana at Slippery Rock

Boys' soccer standings

Class AAA
Section 5

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
Peters Township	3	0	0	4	1	1
Canon-McMillan	2	1	0	6	1	0
Upper St. Clair	2	1	0	5	1	1
Ringgold	1	2	0	6	2	0
Moon	1	2	0	2	3	1
Trinity	0	3	0	2	7	0

Today

Peters Township at Ringgold
Moon at Canon-McMillan
Trinity at Upper St. Clair

Class AA
Section 3

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
South Park	5	0	0	6	1	0
S'moreland	4	1	0	4	3	0
Belle Vernon Area	3	1	1	6	2	1
Thomas Jefferson	3	1	1	4	3	1
Elizabeth Forward	2	3	0	4	5	0
Steel Valley	1	4	0	2	5	0
Uniontown	1	4	0	1	7	0
Yough	0	5	0	0	5	0

Wednesday

Albert Gallatin 5, Uniontown 0

Today

South Park at BV Area
Thomas Jefferson at S'moreland
Yough at Elizabeth Forward
Uniontown at Steel Valley

Class A
Section 1

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
Grb. Central	5	0	0	5	1	0
Geibel	3	2	0	5	2	0
Serra	3	2	0	5	2	0
Trinity Christian	3	2	0	4	2	0
California	2	2	1	4	4	1
Winchester Thurs.	2	2	1	2	3	1
South Allegheny	1	4	0	1	5	0
Brownsville	0	5	0	0	8	0

Today

California at Trinity Christian
Geibel at Grb. Central
Serra at Brownsville
Winchester Thurston at S. Allegheny

Section 4

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
Carlynton	4	0	0	6	1	0
Bentworth	3	1	0	3	5	0
Charleroi	3	1	0	6	2	0
C-Houston	3	2	0	3	5	1
Monessen	2	3	0	4	4	0
Beth-Center	0	4	0	3	4	0
Brentwood	0	4	0	1	4	0

Today

Carlynton at Charleroi
C-Houston at Bentworth
Beth-Center at Brentwood

Girls' soccer standings

Class AAA
Section 5

	League W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
Mt. Lebanon	4	0	0	5	2	0
Upper St. Clair	4	0	0	4	2	0
Canon-McMillan	3	1	0	6	3	0
Trinity	2	2	0	4	3	0
Elizabeth Forward	1	3	0	2	6	0
Ringgold	1	4	0	3	6	0
West Mifflin	0	5	0	1	7	0

Wednesday

Trinity 1, Ringgold 0
Upper St. Clair 4, Elizabeth Forward 0
Canon-McMillan 8, West Mifflin 0
Bethel Park 1, Mt. Lebanon 0

Friday

Upper St. Clair at Canon-McMillan
West Mifflin at Mt.Lebanon

Section 6

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
Southmoreland	4	0	1	4	1	1
Belle Vernon Area	4	0	1	6	2	1
Yough	3	2	0	5	3	0
Connellsville	3	2	0	4	5	0
Waynesburg	3	2	0	4	4	0
Uniontown	1	4	0	2	5	0
Laurel Highlands	1	4	0	2	6	0
Albert Gallatin	0	5	0	0	7	0

Wednesday

BV Area 9, Uniontown 1
Laurel Highland 8, Albert Gallatin 0
Waynesburg 4, Connellsville 0
Southmoreland 5, Yough 0

Friday

Yough at Laurel Highlands

Class AA
Section 1

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
South Park	5	0	0	7	1	0
South Fayette	4	0	0	5	1	1
McGuffey	3	1	0	4	3	0
Charleroi	2	3	0	5	5	0
Bentworth	1	3	0	4	4	0
Beth-Center	0	4	0	2	5	0
C-Houston	0	4	0	0	8	0

Wednesday

Charleroi 7. C-Houston 0
South Fayette 8, Beth-Center 1
South Park 4, McGuffey 0
Bentworth 3, East Allegheny 1

Today

McGuffey at South Fayette

Section 6

	Sec. W	L	T	Overall W	L	T
Geibel	4	0	0	6	2	0
Mt. Pleasant	4	1	0	6	2	0
Grb. Central	3	1	0	7	2	1
Jeannette	2	1	1	3	3	2
St. Joseph	1	4	0	2	6	0
Monessen	0	3	1	2	4	1
East Allegheny	0	4	0	1	5	0

Wednesday

Geibel 4, Monessen 2
Grb. Central 1, St. Joseph 0
Mt. Pleasant 7, Jeannette 0

Today

Jeannette at Geibel
St. Joseph at East Allegheny

MLS standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	11	4	10	43	38	28
Chicago	10	6	10	40	36	31
D.C.	8	6	12	36	39	38
New England	9	8	7	34	29	33
Toronto FC	9	10	7	34	33	38
Kansas City	8	11	6	30	28	34
New York	4	17	5	17	21	43

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Houston	12	8	7	43	35	26
Los Angeles	10	5	11	41	33	29
Colorado	10	8	8	38	40	32
Seattle	9	6	11	38	31	24
Chivas USA	11	9	4	37	25	24
Real SaltLake	9	10	7	34	38	31
FC Dallas	7	12	6	27	41	43
San Jose	5	12	7	22	29	42

Wednesday's Game

Colorado 1, San Jose 1, tie

NFL standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	2	0	0	1.000	40	16
New England	1	1	0	.500	34	40
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	57	45
Miami	0	2	0	.000	30	46

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	2	0	0	1.000	41	35
Houston	1	1	0	.500	41	55
Jacksonville	0	2	0	.000	29	45
Tennessee	0	2	0	.000	41	47

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	69	50
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	27	27
Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	38	36
Cleveland	0	2	0	.000	26	61

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	39	13
San Diego	1	1	0	.500	50	51
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	33	34
Kansas City	0	2	0	.000	34	51

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	2	0	0	1.000	56	48
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	65	54
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	60	58
Washington	1	1	0	.500	26	30

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	2	0	0	1.000	47	27
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	93	49
Carolina	0	2	0	.000	30	66
Tampa Bay	0	2	0	.000	41	67

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	2	0	0	1.000	61	33
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	45	46
Chicago	1	1	0	.500	32	35
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	40	72

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	43	26
Seattle	1	1	0	.500	38	23
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	47	37
St. Louis	0	2	0	.000	7	37

Sunday, Sept. 27

Washington at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Houston, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at New England, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
New Orleans at Buffalo, 4:05 p.m.
Miami at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
Denver at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 4:15 p.m.
Indianapolis at Arizona, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 28

Carolina at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

Sports moves

BASEBALL
American League

BOSTON RED SOX—Recalled LHP Hunter Jones from Pawtucket (IL).

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Signed manager Bobby Cox to a one-year contract extension through next season and announced his retirement, effective at the end of the 2010 season.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

CHARLOTTE BOBCATS—Signed G Raymond Felton to a one-year contract.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

NFL—Fined Tennessee DT Jason Jones $5,000 for unnecessarily going into a scrum during Sunday's game against Houston. Fined Dallas OT Flozell Adams $12,500 for kicking two N.Y. Giants players during Sunday's game.

BUFFALO BILLS—Signed OL Andre Ramsey to the practice squad.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Waived S Nate Salley from injured reserve. Released DT George Hypolite from the practice squad.

CHICAGO BEARS—Signed G Johan Asiata to the practice squad. Terminated the contract of CB Woodny Turenne from the practice squad.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed CB Rico Murray to the practice squad.

DETROIT LIONS—Signed DT Matthias Askew to the practice squad. Released QB Brock Berlin from the practice squad.

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed S Matt Giordano. Released S Aaron Rouse. Signed OT Dane Randolph to the practice squad.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed LB Jordan Senn. Waived TE Tom Santi.

NEW YORK JETS—Signed CB Marquice Cole from the practice squad. Waived TE Matthew Mulligan.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Waived G Brian De La Puente from the practice squad. Signed S Jamar Adams to the practice squad.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Signed S Corey Lynch from Cincinnati's practice squad and CB Marcus Hamilton. Placed S Jermaine Phillips on injured reserve. Released S Steve Cargile.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

NHL—Suspended Phoenix F Francis Lessard for the remainder of preseason and three regular-season games as the result of a game misconduct penalty in a preseason game against Anaheim on Sept. 18. Suspended Los Angeles D Sean O'Donnell for the remainder of preseason and two regular-season games as the result of a match penalty in a preseason game against the N.Y. Islanders on Tuesday.

NHL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION—Announced the retirement of G Olaf Kolzig.

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned G Dan LaCosta and G Kevin Lalande to Syracuse (AHL).

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Assigned LW Sean Bentivoglio, LW Justin DiBenedetto, C Tyler Haskins, LW Jesse Joensuu, G Nathan Lawson and RW Tony Romano to Bridgeport (AHL).

SAN JOSE SHARKS—Signed C Manny Malhotra.

COLLEGE

NCAA—Announced Simon Fraser will begin Division II play in the fall of 2010-11 and will join the Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE—Suspended Purdue G Zach Reckman for Saturday's game for a late hit during last week's game against Northern Illinois.

AKRON—Suspended QB Chris Jacquemain for the remainder of the season for violating team policy. Placed assistant football coach Reno Ferri on administrative leave and suspended with pay pending an internal review of NCAA compliance requirements.

CINCINNATI—Approved a two-year contract extension for men's basketball coach Mick Cronin through the 2013-14 season.

WAKE FOREST—Suspended S Junior Petit-Jean for the remainder of the football season for violating undisclosed team rules.

Latest Line

BEST BET: Mississippi is 0-11 vs. the spread its last 11 Southeastern Conference openers. Head coach Houston Nutt is just 6-12 vs. the spread his last 18 road games as the betting favorite. The underdog is 4-1 vs. the spread the last 5 games in this series. South Carolina head coach Steve Spurrier is a solid 94-59-1 vs. the spread in his career against Southeastern Conference competition. Take South Carolina +3 1/2 for another Best Bet winner.

NFL

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Sunday, Sept 27		
Week Three		
NY JETS	2 1/2 (37)	Tennessee
HOUSTON	4 (47)	Jacksonville
PHILADELPHIA	9 (42)	Kansas City
BALTIMORE	13 1/2 (39)	Cleveland
NY Giants	6 1/2 (44)	TAMPA BAY
Washington	6 (38)	DETROIT
Green Bay	6 1/2 (41)	ST. LOUIS
MINNESOTA	7 (40)	San Fran
N. ENGLAND	4 1/2 (44)	Atlanta
Chicago	2 (37)	SEATTLE
New Orleans	6 (53)	BUFFALO
SAN DIEGO	6 (43)	Miami
Pittsburgh	4 (37)	CINCINNATI
Denver	1 1/2 (36)	OAKLAND
Indianapolis	2 1/2 (48)	ARIZONA
Monday, Sept 28		
DALLAS	9 (47)	Carolina

College Football

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Mississippi	3 1/2	S. CAROLINA
Friday, Sept 25		
Missouri	7 1/2	NEVADA
Saturday, Sept 26		
Wake Forest	1	BOS. COLLEGE
OHIO ST	14	Illinois
N'WESTERN	2 1/2	Minnesota
MICHIGAN	21	Indiana
TEMPLE	2 1/2	Buffalo
WISCONSIN	3	Michigan St
CLEMSON	2 1/2	Tcu
Rutgers	2 1/2	MARYLAND
Boise St	17	BOWLING GREEN
TENNESSEE	21 1/2	Ohio
E. CAROLINA	11	Central Florida
CINCINNATI	16 1/2	Fresno St
C. MICHIGAN	16 1/2	Akron
Lsu	13 1/2	MISSISSIPPI ST
IOWA ST	10	Army
MEMPHIS	3 1/2	Marshall
TEXAS A&M	15	Ala-Birmingham
KANSAS	13 1/2	Southern Miss
AIR FORCE	16 1/2	San Diego St
Vanderbilt	8	RICE
AUBURN	32	Ball St
Unlv	5 1/2	WYOMING
ALABAMA	17	Arkansas
Florida	21 1/2	KENTUCKY
GEORGIA	12 1/2	Arizona St
California	6	OREGON
FLORIDA ST	14 1/2	South Florida
GA TECH	2 1/2	North Carolina
N. ILLINOIS	16	Idaho
BYU	15	Colorado St
NC STATE	1 1/2	Pittsburgh
STANFORD	7	Washington
KENT ST	7 1/2	Miami-Ohio
UTAH	14	Louisville
Miami-Florida	2	VIRGINIA TECH
Notre Dame	7	PURDUE
TEXAS	36	Texas El Paso
PENN ST	9 1/2	Iowa
HOUSTON	1	Texas Tech
NEW MEXICO	9 1/2	New Mexico St
SO. CAL	45 1/2	Washington St
OREGON ST	2	Arizona
FLA ATLANTIC	4	UL-Monroe
NEBRASKA	26	UL-Lafayette
NAVY	28 1/2	W. Kentucky
ARKANSAS ST	2	Troy
Middle Tn St	6 1/2	NORTH TEXAS
Toledo	1	FLA INTER.

Baseball

Favorite	Odds	Underdog
National League		
Cincinnati	5 1/2-6 1/2	PITT.
LA Dodgers	7-8	WASHINGTON
Philadelphia	5 1/2-6 1/2	MILW.
COLORADO	10-11	San Diego
SAN FRAN	Even-6	Chicago Cubs
American League		
OAKLAND	Even-6	Texas
Seattle	6 1/2-7 1/2	TORONTO
Detroit	10-11	CLEVELAND
Boston	9 1/2-10 1/2	KC

Area golf

At Greene County Country Club
Jefferson-Morgan - 209

Jos Kokoska, 35; Zach Berkstresser, 39; Alex Rush, 40; Joe DeFrancesco, 46; Brendan Edwards, 49. Non-count: Brandon Faieta, 58.

Ringgold - 215

Mike Yavorsky, 36; Rico Rodriguez and Nick Feld, 43; Colin McCormick, 46; Devin DiPiazza, 47. Non-count: Connor Kane, 50.

Bowling

Charleroi Lanes
New Eagle League Standings

Charleroi Lanes, 23-5; Cindy's Catering,23-7; Hoot Owls, 22-7; Hill Top Bar, 15-14; A.T. Koury Roofing, 14-15; Yocolano Distributing, 11-18; Bill Hermann's Landscaping, 9-20; Hey Andy, 3-26.

High game, series

Dave Seward, 217-543; Paul Henderson, 199-557; Ryan Lorenzi, 191-474; Joe Benny, 189-442; Jim Ross, 188-526; George Andrako, 181-519; Bob Douglas, 178-496; Edie Trunzo, 175-464; Charlie Sleith, 173-421; Scott Sutherland, 173-413.

Wii bowling

Monessen Senior Center
Standings

Ron Croushore, 24-11; John Petritis, 20-15; Lou Ann Petronick, 18-17; Ron Vivio, 16-19; Nello Tineri, 14-21; Harry Niccolai, 12-23.

High scores

Ron Croushore, 247-665; Harry Niccolai, 236-639; Mary Ann Gallo, 216-638; John Koval. 235-618; John Petritis, 257-581; Mary Ann Tineri, 203-577; Nello Tineri, 199-569; nancy Dzurco, 193-559; Kenny Zimmaro, 211-558; Frank Rizzuto, 190-532.

WNBA playoffs

SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-3)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Wednesday

Detroit 72, Indiana 56, Detroit leads series 1-0

Friday

Detroit at Indiana, 7 p.m.

x-Saturday, Sept. 26

Detroit at Indiana, 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Wednesday

Phoenix 103, Los Angeles 94, Phoenix leads series 1-0

Friday

Los Angeles at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

x-Saturday, Sept. 26

Los Angeles at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Pirates' losing streak up to 5

Joey Votto gets 4 hits in Reds' 12-2 romp.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Homer Bailey didn't need to be on his game to hand the Pittsburgh Pirates another loss.

Joey Votto went 4 for 5 and scored three runs, Bailey allowed two runs in six innings and the Cincinnati Reds continued the Pirates' losing ways with a 12-2 win Wednesday night.

"You can tell (Bailey) didn't have real good stuff when he was throwing more breaking balls and more changeups tonight than usual," Reds manager Dusty Baker said. "His fastball velocity was a little down, but that's going to happen sometimes. That's part of the learning process; you've got to pitch when you don't have real good stuff, and that's what he did tonight."

Bailey was facing a team with the majors' worst offense. The Pirates are 3-22 in their past 25, having lost five in a row. They have allowed 33 runs the past three games and are averaging only 2.5 runs in their past 12 contests.

"This has been difficult for everybody," said Pittsburgh's Andrew McCutchen, who had two hits and scored a run. "It's kind of hard to keep a smile on your face when things like this happen. But the only thing you can do is just go out there and just shake it off and just get prepared for the next day. There's nothing else you can do about it. There's no point in moping

SPORTS

Long season to test Penguins

Players haven't had much time to rest over the past two years.

By ALAN ROBINSON
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — Last season was joyfully long, the offseason far too short. The Pittsburgh Penguins were toting the Stanley Cup to their hometowns to celebrate only a few weeks ago, now a new season is nearly here.

Ready or not.

The Penguins have played hockey in all but four of the past 25 calendar months, and they're facing another nearly nine-month journey if they're to become the first team since the Detroit Red Wings in 1997-98 to repeat as NHL champions. It's a grind that can wear down the most talented, experienced and determined of teams.

The Penguins' elite players remain young — in other pro sports, Sidney Crosby, Evgeni Malkin, Jordan Staal and Marc-Andre Fleury would only be starting their careers, yet this will be Fleury's sixth season and Crosby's fifth. Being young can help a player get over injuries quicker, recover quickly from difficult road trips and bounce back faster from difficult defeats.

Youth, however, does not ensure motivation or desperation when it's needed, and not only did the Penguins play into June while winning the Stanley Cup this year, they also did so while not winning it

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Sidney Crosby lifts the Stanley Cup that the Penguins won just three months ago.

in 2008. That's a lot of games — 208, counting the playoffs but not the preseason — and a lot of wear and tear.

Penguins coach Dan Bylsma, who found himself a Stanley Cup champion even before he'd run his first training camp as an NHL coach, spent considerable time during the short offseason trying to figure out the best way to get his team ready. Not just for the start of the season, but January and March, too.

As Red Wings goalie Chris Osgood said, it's one thing to talk about being mentally ready and motivated to play a mid-October game — doing it after winning a Stanley Cup is far more difficult.

"I wouldn't use the word worry. I have thought about it a lot," Bylsma said. "It's something we're trying to think about carefully, using our words and carefully structuring practice and scheduling, based on the fact we've played a lot of hockey games. We're conscious of the fact people tell us we won the Stanley Cup last year over and over again."

Bylsma has been careful not to overwork Crosby and Malkin during the preseason, although most coaches do that with their top players. Neither player appeared in Tuesday night's exhibition in Toronto.

While Crosby and Malkin previously experienced winning scoring titles and MVP awards — Crosby during the season, Malkin during the postseason — neither has been a defending champion before.

Malkin is convinced these Penguins will win more titles. Crosby believes that winning once is difficult enough, but that winning twice will be harder still.

"It's different. We want to set the bar and we did that last year, but a lot of teams are going to be motivated to beat us," Crosby said. "We have to realize there's a big responsibility and a big sense of pride that comes with that. You have to be ready every night because you're going to see everyone's best."

The Penguins likely will experience that during a four-game road trip against Eastern Conference opponents Philadelphia, Toronto, Ottawa and Carolina from Oct. 8-15. They've been a prime attraction around the league for several seasons, but now they're the champions, too.

NHL teams may find it difficult to lug their best game to the rink for, say, an Islanders game in November, but it's rarely a problem when the Stanley Cup champion is the opponent.

"There's always been a lot of buzz around our team, and I think we've gotten used to that, even going to the finals (in 2008)," Crosby said. "Most teams get up for you. That shouldn't be a huge change."

Some Penguins players won't play games for two weeks during the Olympic break in February, no doubt a much-welcomed break, but the Penguins' core players are expected to be in Vancouver. Crosby and Malkin and possibly others will go from the grind of the regular season into a playoffs-plus atmosphere in Vancouver, then gear down again for the end of the season. Then, unless the Penguins should unexpectedly collapse, it's the playoffs again.

The Olympics will only complicate what already is a long season, but forward Bill Guerin said the Penguins' stars should welcome it.

"So what? Enjoy it," the 38-year-old Guerin said. "It's what we do. It's their job, it's their life, it's what they like to do. The opportunity to play in the Olympics is a great experience, it's a great honor. Play every chance you get, don't pass up those opportunities and enjoy it."

Polamalu

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week, week in and week out. I just try to live up to that standard."

The trouble is, Polamalu sets so high a standard that it's difficult for any backup to match him.

Cutler often tried to lock into his tight ends when Carter was in coverage over the middle. Palmer goes to his tight ends, though usually not as much: Daniel Coats (3 catches, 42 yards) and J.P. Foschi (2 catches, 15 yards) had five catches between them as the Bengals lost in the closing seconds to Denver, 12-7, but won at Green Bay, 31-24.

Polamalu or no Polamalu, new safety or no new safety, Clark all but said the Bengals (1-1) won't be able complete deep balls against the Steelers (1-1).

"The one thing you don't see when you watch our games is the guy running down the sidelines free, catching touchdowns for 80 yards, 70 yards. You don't see the things like (Titans running back) Chris Johnson not being covered (out of the backfield)," Clark said. "We do those little things that make it hard for teams to score."

However, the Bears scored in the final minute of the first half and the game, and the Bears also had a 72-yard touchdown drive.

"I think there's been a little panic over the fact people have been able to move the ball. Still, in all, they (the Bears) scored 17 points," Clark said. "There's no reason to panic, we're not going to be perfect every week, we're not going to shut every team out. Chicago did a good job of moving the ball and scoring some points but we're going to stick with the same thing."

Wonder if Chad Ochocinco, who has nine catches and a 20 yards per catch average, was listening?

"I'm always a fan of the competition, always," Ochocinco said. "He (Polamalu) is a force to be reckoned with. He makes their defense what it is. I'm not taking anything away from the other players and what they have there, but he's really good."

Lady Rams suffer 1-0 loss to Trinity

The only goal of the game comes on a penalty kick.

By BILL HUGHES
For The Valley Independent

WASHINGTON — Following his team's 1-0 loss at Trinity Wednesday night, the look on the face of Ringgold girls' soccer coach Tom Cameron told the story.

A soaked Cameron just watched his Lady Rams drop another hard-fought Class AAA Section 5 contest in which a win would have helped his team's playoff chances.

"We controlled 70 minutes of the contest," Cameron said. "But when you don't finish, you can't win games."

Ringgold had no less than five of what Cameron called "good chances."

"We outshot them, 15-7, and we had three breakaways," he added. "Our nemesis is the fact that we can't put the ball in the net."

The Lady Rams have 18 goals in nine games, but seven of those goals came in last week's win over West Mifflin.

The lone goal of last night's contest came in the 63rd minute when Ringgold was called for tackling a Trinity player in the goalie's box. Sophomore Amanda Hill hit the penalty kick for Trinity (4-3, 2-2).

"It was a good call," Cameron said. "Our girl slid to hit the ball and took out their girl."

Alayna Steele made 10 saves on Ringgold's 15 shot attempts to record her fourth shutout.

Despite being shut out for the third time this season, Cameron saw several positives.

"The girls tried hard and gave 100 percent," he said. "No one will hear me complain about that. But we are committing small mental mistakes that are killing us."

Cameron said the team is going to have to go back to basics.

"We have to get better at fundamentals and that starts with me," he said. "We are going to work harder on our fundamentals."

Heck, Miele score 3 times in BVA win

By BILL HUGHES
For The Valley Independent

Two hat tricks added up to an easy win for the Belle Vernon Area girls' soccer team at Uniontown Wednesday.

Kylee Heck and Michelle Miele both scored three goals in the Lady Leps' 9-1 romp to stay tied for first place in Class AAA Section 6.

"We really passed the ball well and Kylee and Michelle both had good looks," said BVA coach Paul Sasko. "Even though we were missing a few players, other girls stepped up and played very well."

Caitlin Pasternak, Lauren Kovalchuk and Julee Persichetti had BVA's other goals.

The Lady Leps (6--1, 4-0-1), who've outscored their last four opponents, 27-1, host Waynesburg Saturday.

Geibel 4, Monessen 2

Desiree Rice and Natawsja Sosnak scored for Monessen (2-4-1, 0-3-1) in their Class A Section 6 match.

"We are in every game," said first-year Monessen coach Chris Duda, whose team goes to Greensburg Central Catholic Saturday.

Charleroi 7, Chartiers-Houston 0

The Lady Cougars had no trouble snapping a four-game losing skid in Class AA Section 1.

Charleroi (5-5, 2-3) visits Bentworth Saturday.

Upper St. Clair 4, Elizabeth Forward 0

The Lady Warriors (2-6, 1-3) were blanked for the third time in their last four contests.

Elizabeth resumes Saturday at Trinity.

Boys' soccer roundup

SPORTS DIGEST

BVA cagers split with Wendover

The Belle Vernon Area Middle School basketball teams split with Wendover.

The unbeaten seventh graders (3-0) won 51-12 with Meaghan Murphy leading the way with eight points.

The ninth graders (-2) lost 45-32 with Ashley Seman high with nine points.

Pirates will tighten security

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pirates are tightening security at PNC Park because of the G-20 summit in Pittsburgh and recent security warnings that terrorists would like to attack stadiums.

The Group of 20 meeting takes place at the downtown David L. Lawrence Convention Center on Thursday and Friday, across the Allegheny River from PNC Park. The Pirates play the Reds this afternoon and the Dodgers Friday night.

"Even though we do not expect any issues during the G-20 summit, we have boosted the number of security personnel in and around the ballpark," Pirates spokesman Jim Trdinich said. "We will have additional screening with metal detecting wands at the gates for precautionary reasons."

Numerous downtown parking lots normally used by Pirates spectators will be closed during the summit, but about 8,000 spaces on the North Side near the ballpark will be available as usual.

Cox to manage one more season

NEW YORK (AP) — Bobby Cox spent the afternoon shaking hands, accepting congratulations and smiling enough to look almost comfortable as the center of all that attention.

Then, he took his favorite seat in the dugout and guided the Atlanta Braves to a fitting victory.

After 50 years in baseball, Cox revealed his plan Wednesday to retire as manager of the Braves following next season.

Now comes the hard part: sticking to it.

"It's the only way I think I'm ever going to walk away from the game, is to go ahead and say I'm going to, and then I've got to," Cox said. "There's no turning back now — win, lose or draw. Whatever happens next year is going to be it."

Russia tycoon to buy NBA Nets

NEW YORK (AP) — Russia's richest man has a deal to buy a controlling interest in the New Jersey Nets and nearly half of a project to build a new arena in Brooklyn.

Mikhail Prokhorov's Onexim Group announced the deal with Forest City Ratner Companies and Nets Sports and Entertainment. They say they have signed a letter of intent to create a partnership for the development of the Atlantic Yards Project.

According to the agreement, entities to be formed by Onexim Group will invest $200 million and make certain funding commitments to acquire 80 percent of the NBA team, 45 percent of the arena project and the right to purchase up to 20 percent of the Atlantic Yards Development Company, which will develop the non-arena real estate.

Prokhorov would be the first non-North American NBA owner.

Favre says Jets' fines 'very unfair'

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — Brett Favre said he believes the fines handed down by the NFL for his absence from last year's New York Jets injury reports were "very unfair."

Favre was asked by reporters for the first time about the $125,000 in penalties levied on the Jets organization ($75,000), general manager Mike Tannenbaum ($25,000), and former head coach Eric Mangini ($25,000).

Favre earlier this month revealed the process he and the Jets went through in assessing the health of his throwing arm last December. He played through a torn biceps tendon, and his performance suffered. The NFL investigated and announced the fines last week for Mangini's failure to list Favre on the injury report.

Givens files Titans' lawsuit

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Former Tennessee Titans wide receiver David Givens claims the team failed to tell him about a defect in his knee that led to an injury and eventually ended his career.

Givens claims in a lawsuit filed Tuesday that a doctor discovered a defect in his knee during a physical around the time his contract was being negotiated in March 2006. He claims the examining doctor told team officials he "may need surgery at some point" and "may not be able to make a full 16-game season," according to the suit.

But Givens claims he was "kept in the dark about his condition" and team officials urged him to keep playing until he was hurt on Nov. 12, 2006. He hasn't played in the NFL since.

College Football Hall leaving South Bend

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — The College Football Hall of Fame, which never managed to attract the number of visitors its organizers hoped for after moving it to South Bend in 1995, is being moved to Atlanta to bring it more exposure, organizers told the city.

The National Football Foundation notified the city of South Bend in a letter Tuesday that it is terminating its agreement with the city when its current lease ends on Dec. 31, 2010.

South Bend Mayor Stephen Luecke said that he met with football foundation officials on Tuesday and they told him that the move would be announced at a news conference today in Atlanta.

Federer vs. Nadal in Davis opener?

GENEVA (AP) — Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal could face each other in the first round of next year's Davis Cup after Spain drew Switzerland in the draw.

Federer and Nadal, the top two players, have never met in the Davis Cup but have faced each other in seven Grand Slam finals, with Nadal winning five. Until his loss to Juan Martin del Potro in this year's U.S. Open final, Federer had been undefeated in major finals against everyone but Nadal.

The draw for the World Group will also send the United States to Serbia, making a match between Novak Djokovic and Andy Roddick a possibility for the best-of-five series from March 5-7.

Trivia answer

Sam Wyche at 64-68.

SPORTS HISTORY

30 Years Ago

Pat Sweeney kicked a field goal and Marlon McIntyre and Dave Bashada scored touchdowns in Belle Vernon Area's 16-12 win over Laurel Highlands.

Ben Harris and Jim Edwards scored touchdowns, Dave Grillo had a safety and Jim Kossol kicked the extra point in Charleroi's 15-14 win over Monessen.

20 Years Ago

Matt Cathers ran for 129 yards including a 72-yard touchdown in Yough's 22-0 Keystone victory over Latrobe.

California University blanked Lock Haven, 10-0, in its PSAC West opener. Jim Kraynak kicked a 21-yard field goal and quarterback Sam Mannery went over from the one for the game's lone touchdown.

10 Years Ago

Shellie Cotton had five goals including No. 100 and Brooke Rebar four in Charleroi's 10-0 romp over Jeannette.

Ruth Frye had three goals in Ringgold's 6-0 win at Belle Vernon Area.

Annie Malkowiak took the Uniontown High girls' basketball coaching job a month after being hired to the same position at Frazier.

Belle Vernon Area edged Uniontown, 1-0, in overtime with freshman Mike Posey scoring the lone goal.

TV LISTINGS

Caregiver's grief began long before her husband's death

Dear **ABBY**

DEAR ABBY: I am responding to "Alone But Happy in Canada" (July 12), who feels guilty because she feels relieved following the death of her husband from a long, difficult illness.

Everyone grieves differently, but I don't think grieving a loved one's loss BEFORE his or her death is uncommon. I've known several people who watched loved ones wither away into helpless, needy and miserable individuals. I can't think of one who didn't feel the same as "Alone But Happy."

I have begun referring to it as "grieve-as-you-go guilt." A person grieves through the decline and eventual demise of a beloved mate, and when she fails to feel sadness, she substitutes guilt where she believes her grief should be.

But actually she has been grieving all along, and needs to acknowledge that fact.

Only then will she be able to enjoy not only her clean house, but her clear conscience as well. — **AZY IN WASHINGTON**

DEAR AZY: You have keen insight. Other readers wrote wanting to offer reassurance to "Alone But Happy."

Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Your answer to "Alone" was appreciated by all caregivers, I'm sure. Nobody knows, unless they have walked that particular path, how difficult and lonely it is to watch a spouse disappear over a long time, losing the history you share together, making hard decisions alone, and rebuilding an identity not tied to the past. Every morning brings a new bout of grief from the moment of wakening — every day another day you don't want to face.

Keeping healthy and planning ahead for yourself, not as a caregiver but as a participant in the "real world," is the only way to maintain sanity sometimes. Though I love my husband dearly, I look forward to having a life again that is not centered on his disease. No one should be made to feel guilty for restarting life when he or she has given so much. — **DAY AT A TIME**

DEAR ABBY: I also lost my husband of 35 years just a month ago. He endured several years of health problems and as his caregiver, I, too, felt a great sense of relief with his passing. I do not, however, feel guilty about it.

I realize that I have been grieving for several years already, as I knew this time would be coming. In many ways it is as if I am in the final stage of the process even though my husband's death has only just occurred.

Our son put it best when he said at my husband's bedside, "I lost my dad several years ago, but my father died tonight."

He, too, understands that his grief began a long time ago. — **MOVING FORWARD**

DEAR ABBY: Having to put another person's needs and wants before one's own can be very stressful. Not everyone is able to do that and stay pleasant and patient at all times. Fortunately, I found a local caregivers' support group. Our weekly meetings help us see that we are not alone in experiencing the trials and tribulations of family caregiving.

For those who are laboring to do their best for their sick or disabled loved ones, let me suggest they find a Senior Information and Assistance office in their area. Another resource is the National Family Caregivers Association (www.thefamilycaregiver.org; phone (800) 896-3650).

These may be helpful in allowing caregivers mental and physical relief by connecting them with hourly in-home care services.

It is important that people experiencing this kind of stress get respite time to themselves, away from their care recipient, in order to be able to keep on helping them. — **ONE OF THE MANY**

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THURSDAY EVENING

MOVIES | TALK | NEWS | KIDS | SPORTS

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	6PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30	12AM	12:30	1AM	1:30	2AM	2:30
CBS	(2) KDKA-TV News at Six (N) (7) News (N) (10) WTAJ News at 6 (N)	(7) (10) CBS Evening News With Katie Couric (N)	(2) CBS Evening News-Couric (7) Entertainment (10) Inside	(2) The Insider (N) (7) Inside Edition (N) (10) Two and a Half Men	Survivor: Samoa "Taking Candy From a Baby" Making friends with the opposing tribe. (N)		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Family Affair" (Season Premiere) An actress is killed in a suspicious car accident. (N) (DVS)		(:01) The Mentalist "Redemption" (Season Premiere) Jane and Lisbon discover that the Red John case has been reassigned. (N)		(2) KDKA-TV News at 11 (7) News (10) WTAJ News at 11	(:35) Late Show With David Letterman Craig Ferguson; Snow Patrol; New Zealand Prime Minister John Key. (N)		(:37) The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson Jason Schwartzman; Angela Kinsey. (N)		(2) (:37) Extra (7) (:37) The Dr. Oz Show (10) (:37) Paid Programming	(2) (:07) Work From Home Internet millions. (10) (:07) Paid Programming	(2) (:37) Paid Programming (7) (10) (:37) Up to the Minute (N)
ABC	(4) Action News at 6 (23) Deal No	ABC's World News With Charles Gibson (N)	(4) Channel 4 Action News G20 Special (23) Jeopardy!	(4) Entertainment Tonight (23) Wheel of Fortune	FlashForward (Series Premiere) Everyone on Earth blacks out and sees events from their own futures. (N)		Grey's Anatomy "Good Mourning; Goodbye" (Season Premiere) Members of the hospital staff find unique ways to deal with their grief at George's death. (N)				(4) Ch. 4 Action News at 11 (23) News	(23) (:35) Nightline (N)	(4) Nightline (23) (12:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(4) (:31) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	(23) (:06) Paid Programming	(4) (:31) Oprah Winfrey (23) (:36) RENO 911!	(23) (:06) Paid Programming	(4) (:31) Inside Edition (23) (:36) Paid Programming
NBC	(6) WJAC-TV News at 6 PM (N) (9) News (N) (11) Channel 11 News (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	(6) Entertainment Tonight "Iron Man 2." (N) (9) (11) Jeopardy! (N)	(6) Who Wants to Be a Millionaire (N) (9) (11) Wheel of Fortune (N)	Saturday Night Live Weekend Update Thursday (N)	Parks and Recreation "The Stakeout" Marijuana plant is discovered.	The Office "The Meeting" A request makes Michael feel insecure. (N)	(:31) Community "Spanish 101" Partners for a class project. (N)	The Jay Leno Show Rush Limbaugh; Smokey Robinson; Joss Stone. (N)		(6) WJAC-TV News (9) News (11) Ch. 11 News	(:35) The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien Joel McHale; Dave Salmoni; India.Arie. (N)		(:37) Late Night With Jimmy Fallon Megan Fox; Anthony Anderson; Phoenix. (N)		(:36) Last Call With Carson Daly Mike Henry; Paolo Nutini. (N)	(:05) Poker After Dark Phil Hellmuth; Chris Ferguson; Howard Lederer; Phil Ivey; Doyle Brunson; Daniel Negreanu. (N)	
FOX	(8) Seinfeld (53) Two and a Half Men	(8) The Simpsons (53) My Name Is Earl	(8) That '70s Show (53) Two and a Half Men	(8) My Name Is Earl (53) Seinfeld	Bones "The Bond in the Boot" A man is murdered for the undisclosed contents of his briefcase. (N) (PA)		Fringe Construction worker is drawn into an underground tunnel full of human remains. (N)		(8) Fox 8 News (53) Channel 11 News on FOX 53 at 10	(8) (:35) My Name Is Earl A friend in prison.	(8) (:05) Everybody Loves Raymond (53) Seinfeld	(8) (:35) Seinfeld (53) My Name Is Earl	(8) Star Trek: The Next Generation (53) Frasier	(53) Paid Programming	(8) (:05) Paid Programming (53) Paid Programming	(8) (:35) Paid Programming (53) Paid Programming	(8) (:05) Paid Programming (53) George Lopez	(8) Paid Program (53) House of Payne
(13) WQED	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Nightly Business Report	OnQ	G20 Coverage Pittsburgh G20 Summit.		PBS Special Report Healthcare Reform (N)			Previews-Parks	Charlie Rose (N)		OnQ	Smart Travels	The This Old House Hour		Great Lodges of the National Parks	
(19) WPCW	The People's Court (N)		The Office	The Office	The Vampire Diaries "Friday Night Bites" (N)		Supernatural "Free to Be You and Me" (N)		10 O'Clock News	The Nightly Sports Call	Everybody-Raymond	Malcolm in the Middle	According to Jim	King of the Hill	South Park "Goobacks"	Paid Programming	Best Indoor Grill	Paid Programming
(22) WPMY	Simpsons	Family Guy	Simpsons	Family Guy	Lake City (2008, Drama) Sissy Spacek, Troy Garity.				Law & Order: SVU		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Paid Program	Paid Program	Bernie Mac	My Wife-Kids	Half & Half	Half & Half
(40) WPCB	The 700 Club (N)		Worship interACTIVE		India	The Drive TV	All World	Travel Road	Theater	Quick Study	Nwswtch	The Place for Miracles		The Drive TV	Worship interACTIVE		Influence Liv	Born to Free
(59) WBGN	Punk'd	Sports Talk	Sports Talk		Eye Eye	RENO 911!	Laguna	RENO 911!	The Outer Limits		Cheaters	Laguna	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
A&E	CSI: Miami "Death Grip"		Criminal Minds		The First 48 Past cases.		The First 48		The First 48		Crime 360 "At Death's Door"		The First 48 Past cases.		The First 48		The First 48	
ABCFAM	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	'70s Show	★★★ Shanghai Noon (2000) Jackie Chan, Owen Wilson. Premiere.					Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club (N)		Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Net Millions
AMC	(5:30) ★★ Delta Force 2 (1990) Chuck Norris.				★★★ Top Gun (1986, Adventure) Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis.					★★ Commando (1985) Arnold Schwarzenegger.				★★ The Delta Force (1986, Action) Chuck Norris, Lee Marvin.				
ANPL	Weird, True & Freaky		Dogs 101		Walking With Dinosaurs		Animal Armageddon (N)		Animal Cops Philadelphia		Walking With Dinosaurs		Animal Armageddon		Animal Cops Philadelphia		Dogs 101	
BBC	Ramsay's Kitchen		BBC World News America		Too Ugly to Love		Skins "Effy"		BBC World News America		Too Ugly to Love		Skins "Effy"		Too Ugly to Love		Skins "Effy"	
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live (Live)				★★ Deep Blue Sea (1999) Thomas Jane, Saffron Burrows.					Frankie-Neffe	The Wendy Williams Show		Nora's Hair Salon 2: A Cut Above (2008) Tatyana Ali.				The Wendy Williams Show	
BRAVO	Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Watch What	The Rachel Zoe Project		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Flipping Out
CMTV	Extreme Makeover: Home		Extreme Makeover: Home		Smarter	Smarter	★★ Caddyshack (1980, Comedy) Chevy Chase.				CMT Music	Smarter	Smarter	★★ Caddyshack (1980, Comedy) Chevy Chase.				CMT Music
CNBC	Mad Money		Kudlow Report		Porn: Business of Pleasure		Big Mac: Inside McDonald's		Biography		Mad Money		Fast Money		Big Mac: Inside McDonald's		Paid Program	Paid Program
CNN	Situation Room-Wolf Blitzer		Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360	
COM	RENO 911!	Presents	Daily Show	Colbert	Scrubs	Scrubs	George Lopez		Carlos Mencia		Daily Show	Colbert	George Lopez		Futurama	Daily Show	Colbert	Chappelle's
CSPAN	(5:00) House of Representatives				Tonight From Washington						Capital News Today						Today in Washington	
DISC	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	How-Made	How-Made	History-Freemasons		History-Freemasons		Secret America		How-Made	How-Made	History-Freemasons		History-Freemasons		Secret America	
DISNEY	Phineas-Ferb	Zack & Cody	Wizards	Han. Montana	Minutemen (2008) Jason Dolley.			Phineas-Ferb	Phineas-Ferb	Han. Montana	Wizards	That's-Raven	Life Derek	Cory	Replace	Kim Possible	Emperor New	Dragon
E!	Celebrity Plastic Surgery		E! News (N)	The Daily 10	Going Postal: 15 Most Shocking Acts of Violence				Girls	Girls	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	Kendra	Kendra	Soup	Girls Next Dr	Chelsea
ESPN	SportsCenter (Live)			College Football Mississippi at South Carolina. (Live)						SportsCenter (Live)			Baseball	NFL Live (N)	SportsCenter (Live)		SportsCenter (Live)	
ESPNC	College Football		Who's Number 1?		Boxing		NBA Basketball: 2006 East First Round				AWA Wrestling		American Gladiators		Boxing: Hatton vs. Tackie		College Football	
ESPN2	Horn	Interruption	Football Live	NFL Live	2009 World Series of Poker		2009 World Series of Poker		Baseball Tonight		2009 World Series of Poker		SportsNation (Live)		NASCAR Now	2009 World Series of Poker		Rodeo
EWTN	God's Plan	Pio Revisited	Daily Mass: Our Lady		Life on the Rock		Eucharist	Holy Rosary	Catholicism	Theology	Light-Nations	Dana	Daily Mass: Our Lady		Life on the Rock		Eucharist	Footprints
FNC	Special Report		FOX Report-Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (N)		Hannity (N)		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record-Van Susteren		Glenn Beck	
FOOD	Cooking	Minute Meals	Challenge		Iron Chef America		Extr. Cuisine		Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Good Eats	Unwrapped	Extr. Cuisine		Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Good Eats	Unwrapped
FSN	Mike Tomlin	H.S. Edition	High School Football Central Catholic at Upper St. Clair. (Live)					H.S. Edition	Mike Tomlin	Final Score	Golden Age	Final Score	Best Damn Top 50 Special		Final Score	Final Score	SportsBeat	Mike Tomlin
FX	★ Taxi (2004, Comedy) Queen Latifah, Jimmy Fallon.				★ Wild Hogs (2007, Comedy) Tim Allen, John Travolta.				Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	★ Taxi (2004, Comedy) Queen Latifah, Jimmy Fallon.				Paid Program	Paid Program
GOLF	Golf Central	LPGA Tour Golf: CVS/pharmacy LPGA Challenge			PGA Tour Golf The Tour Championship — First Round.							Golf Central	19th Hole	LPGA Tour Golf: CVS/pharmacy LPGA Challenge				Lessons
GSN	Newlywed	Catch 21	Deal or No Deal		Family Feud	Family Feud	Newlywed	Catch 21	Be-Millionaire	Lingo	Deal or No Deal		Be a Millionaire		Jeopardy!	Hollywood	$100,000 Pyr.	Pyramid
HALL	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Touched by an Angel		Touched by an Angel		Touched by an Angel		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Cheers	Cheers
HGTV	Designed-Sell	Carter Can	House	House	First Place	First Place	House	House	House	Intervention	Property	First Place	First Place	First Place	House	House	House	Intervention
HIST	Gangland The Outlaws.		Modern Marvels		Gangland Latin Disciples.		Marked "Pure Evil" (N)		Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Chopper Wars (N)		Gangland Latin Disciples.		Marked "Pure Evil"		Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars
LIFE	Grey's Anatomy		Medium "Four Dreams"		Medium "Four Dreams"		Project Runway		Project Runway (N)		Models	Project Runway		Models	Project Runway		Models	Paid Program
MSNBC	The Ed Show (N)		Hardball		Countdown-Olbermann		The Rachel Maddow Show		Countdown-Olbermann		The Rachel Maddow Show		Hardball		Countdown-Olbermann		The Rachel Maddow Show	
MTV	Parental	Parental	Nitro Circus	Nitro Circus	Fantasy Fact.	Fantasy Fact.	Fantasy Fact.	Beatdown	Nitro Circus	Pranked (N)	Fantasy Fact.	Beatdown	Nitro Circus	Pranked	Rob & Big	Rob & Big	Rob & Big	Rob & Big
NICK	iCarly	True Jackson	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Malcolm-Mid.	Malcolm-Mid.	Hates Chris	Hates Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	Malcolm-Mid.	Glenn Martin	Lopez	Lopez	Hates Chris	Hates Chris
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PCN	PCN Tours		PCN Call-In (Live)		Journalists Roundtable		PCN Primetime - pcntv.com		PCN Evening - pcntv.com				PCN Late Night - pcntv.com				Deutsche Welle News	
PCNC	Pittsburgh Now		News	Medicine	NightTalk		PCNC News		NightTalk		Pittsburgh	Fedko Fone	PCNC News	PCNC News		Paid Program	NightTalk	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		UFC Unleashed		TNA Wrestling (N)				The Ultimate Fighter		MANswers	GameTrailers	MANswers	MANswers	Ways to Die	Ways to Die
SYFY	Stargate SG-1 "Enemies"		Clive Barker's Book of Blood (2008) Jonas Armstrong.				★★ The Skeleton Key (2005) Kate Hudson.				Hallowed Ground (2007, Horror) Jaimie Alexander.				Lost "Orientation"		The X-Files "Our Town"	
TBS	Seinfeld	The Office	Name Is Earl	Name Is Earl	Family Guy	Family Guy	★★ Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle (2004)				Seinfeld	(:25) Seinfeld	Sex and City	(:25) Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle			(:10) ★★ American Pie 2	
TCM	Two Weeks	Minnelli on Minnelli: Liza Remembers			★★★ 3:10 to Yuma (1957) Van Heflin, Glenn Ford.				★★★ Hour of the Gun (1967) James Garner.				★★ Badman's Territory (1946) Randolph Scott.				Pat Garrett and Billy the Kid	
TLC	What Not to Wear "Natalie"		LA Ink "Blonde Ambition"		Police Women of Broward		Police Women of Broward		LA Ink "LA Pink" (N)		Police Women of Broward		LA Ink "LA Pink"		Police Women of Broward		LA Ink "Blonde Ambition"	
TNT	NUMB3RS "Black Swan"		CSI: NY "Heart of Glass"		CSI: NY "The Ride-In"		★★ U.S. Marshals (1998) Tommy Lee Jones, Wesley Snipes.					★★ U.S. Marshals (1998) Tommy Lee Jones, Wesley Snipes.					Cold Case "Kensington"	
TOON	Tom, Jerry	Johnny Test	Johnny Test	Johnny Test	Chowder	Flapjack	Total Drama	Stoked (N)	King of Hill	King of Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Chicken	Hungerforce	The Oblongs	Home Movies	King of Hill	King of Hill
TRAVEL	Bizarre Foods-Zimmern		Anthony Bourdain		Bizarre Foods-Zimmern		Bizarre Foods: Asia		Madventures	Madventures	Anthony Bourdain		Bizarre Foods-Zimmern		Bizarre Foods: Asia		Madventures	Madventures
TRUTV	Wildest Police Videos		Cops	Cops	World's Dumbest...		World's Dumbest...		Speeders (N)	Speeders	Black Gold		World's Dumbest...		World's Dumbest...		Speeders	Speeders
TVLAND	Little House on the Prairie		Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne		Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne
USA	NCIS "The Curse"		NCIS "Dead and Unburied"		NCIS "Friends and Lovers"		NCIS "Dead Man Walking"		NCIS "Skeletons"		Monk		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Burn Notice		Foreigner 2: Black Dawn	
VH1	Real Chance	Behind the Music		Eddie Griffin	TO Show	TO Show	TO Show	TO Show	Behind the Music		Real Chance of Love		Behind the Music		Tool Academy		Tool Academy	
VS.	WEC WrekCage		Whacked Out	Whacked Out	Boxing				Boxing Cristian Favela vs. Luis Ramos. (Live)				Sports Soup	Quest	Boxing			
WE	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Ghost Whisperer		The Locator	The Locator		The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator
WGN	Becker	Becker	Funniest Home Videos		WWE Superstars		American Gladiators		WGN News at Nine (N)		Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars		Star Trek: Next Gener.		The Bob & Tom Show	
ENC	(5:20) ★ Armageddon (1998) Bruce Willis. 'PG-13'				★★ Multiplicity (1996) Michael Keaton. 'PG-13'				★ Billy Madison (1995) Adam Sandler.			★★ Point of No Return (1993) Bridget Fonda. 'R'				(:20) ★★ Southland Tales (2006) 'R'		
HBO	★ Dude, Where's My Car? (2000) 'PG-13'			Mayweather	★★★ Hellboy II: The Golden Army (2008) Ron Perlman.				Entourage	Entourage	Real Sex		(11:50) ★★ The Secret Life of Bees			(:45) ★★★ Leaving Normal (1992) 'R'		
MAX	The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2		(:45) ★★ Body of Lies (2008, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio. 'R'						★ Say It Isn't So (2001) Chris Klein. 'R'			Zane's Sex	Zane's Sex	(:45) ★★★ American Gangster (2007) Denzel Washington. 'NR'				
SHOW	Schl Musicals	Moving McAllister (2007) Ben Gourley. iTV.			★★ Love & Sex (2000) Famke Janssen.			★★ Rambo (2008) Sylvester Stallone. 'R'			(:15) ★★★ Sex, Lies, and Videotape (1989) iTV. 'R'				★★ The Way of the Gun (2000) Ryan Phillippe. iTV. 'R'			
STARZ	(5:20) ★ Head Over Heels		(:10) ★★ Sex Drive (2008) Josh Zuckerman. 'R'				(:05) ★★★ Superbad (2007, Comedy) Jonah Hill. 'R'				Crash "You Set the Scene"		★★ Untraceable (2008, Suspense) Diane Lane. 'R'				(1:50) ★★ Married Life	
TMC	(5:05) ★★★★ There Will Be Blood (2007, Drama) 'R'				★★★ Stardust (2007, Fantasy) Claire Danes. 'PG-13'				(:15) ★★ The Hunting Party (2007) Richard Gere. 'R'				The Neighbor (2007) Matthew Modine.			(:45) ★ Who's Your Caddy? (2007)		

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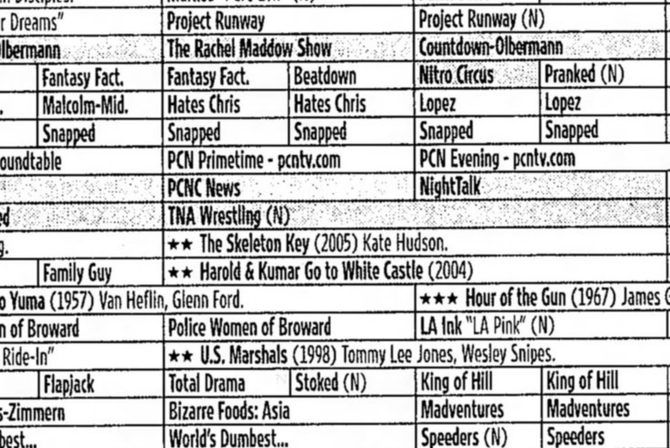

of new grads say benefits are their top priority in accepting a job.

Source: Yahoo! HotJobs college survey, May 2007

Boost your benefits by finding a job at PAJobMatch.com

FEATURES

Frugal Living

Enjoy a fun outdoor activity

Sara **NOEL**

The first tip is a wonderful idea for fall family fun. You could do bark and leaf rubbings with crayons or charcoals and paper, or make casts of animal tracks. Visit www.bizarrelabs.com/track.htm to learn how.

OUTDOOR FAMILY ACTIVITY: Make a plant field guide. Collect plants, and press them in either a plant press or a heavy book. Look them up in the evening. This does take a little planning on your part with a few books. If you don't have them, don't worry. Look the plants up when you get home. We have an eastern tree guide full of leaves.

Over the years, we've tried to find every tree in the book. We mark down where and when we've found them and then added a leaf. This book is now packed with great care as we don't want to damage any of the leaves hanging out. Going on 10 years, "Don't forget the tree book" is said more than once when we pack for a trip.

We have gone to our local Goodwill and secondhand store for ID books on everything from shells to mushrooms to wildflowers. It's amazing how competitive kids can get about knowing the proper names for things. We've collected dozens of items such as odd pine cones, abandoned turtle shells and butterflies off car grills (ick), all in the name of knowledge. — **Laurie B., Florida**

CHILD SAFETY: Did you know that Pringles cans are excellent for holding sharp knives? I did this when I still had babies. I never had to worry about them getting a knife because it was in a can in the top of the cupboard. — **Ellise, e-mail**

BREAD-TIE GARLAND: I know that this may sound silly, but it actually turns out looking nice. Last year, I saved the colored wire ties that come with the bread loaves that we buy, and the kids and I started linking them together like a paper chain.

We wound the ends around the chains so they wouldn't scratch anyone. So this year, we did the same thing and added the bread ties from this year to the garland. We'll have to save bread ties for another year to complete the garland. — **M.H., Texas**

AVOID FADING: Whenever I have dark clothing, I always add a big cupful of salt to the first wash. It is supposed to help set the dye and keep it from fading. I've heard that white vinegar also helps set the dye. I wash mine inside out and in cold water only. — **Pat, Virginia**

BEAT THE CLOCK: There are a lot of uses for a timer. Some people use it to give the kids turns on a favored toy. I think beat the clock has always been my favorite. Set the timer for 15 minutes or five minutes, depending on how you feel, and just go crazy, racing around getting as much done as you can.

Often, that is all it takes to get the room in order, the house dusted, the garbage taken out, or a dishwasher loaded and running or unloaded. It can tell you just how long a particular task takes when you give it your all.

That is so useful. If I know it takes me three minutes or less to unload the dishwasher, then I don't feel so much as if it's a big job, and I tackle it and get it out of the way. — **Margery, Canada**

REUSE TISSUE BOX: I use the square Kleenex boxes for my son's small action figures and toys. They stack neatly. — **Melissa, Ohio**

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Breast cancer walk set in Charleroi

TEAM Charleroi Promotions Committee will present the sixth annual "Lois Orange Ducoeur Breast Cancer Walk" 10:45 a.m. Oct. 10.

The event is held in memory of Charleroi businesswoman Lois Orange Ducoeur. The Ducoeur family has owned and operated Orange's Gift Department Store since 1893 and is believed to be one of the oldest family-owned businesses in the region. Ducoeur lost her battle with cancer in 1965.

The event is sponsored by Monongahela Valley Hospital, Ducoeur's Furniture and Sci-Tek Consultants and will start with registration in the Charleroi Market House at 9 a.m. Opening remarks, a group picture, balloon release and the one- or two-mile walk will commence at 10:15 a.m.

Pink memorial or survivor ribbons are available for $5 and will be placed on lampposts along the walk route. Additionally, pink memorial or survivor balloons may be purchased for $2 the day of the race and will be released prior to the start of the walk.

Registration information can be found online at www.teamcharleroi.org or by calling TEAM Charleroi at (724) 483-3070.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Charles L. and Rose Sweeney-Melenyzer Pavilion and Regional Cancer Center at Monongahela Valley Hospital.

Seeking exports

Do you know of someone who once lived in the Mon Valley, but moved on to forge a life elsewhere?

Is that person involved in an interesting or successful career?

If so, we would like to hear from you. Your friend could be featured in Valley Exports.

To submit a name, call Joe Abramowitz at (724) 684-2634. You also can email to jabramowitz@tribweb.com.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: I equals J

"F B V V X A K J J ... X Z R X K J X A Z F K I N T N Y B O F X K H K L K A Z, X A Z F K Z F W X R R N Y O W K B Z X H K K Y Y N W Z." - H X A O K A Z H B A U N U F

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "God has cared for these trees, saved them from drought, disease ... but he cannot save them from fools." - John Muir

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Starting September 27, enter YOUR name to be one of 29 lucky $100 daily prize winners — and a chance to win the $1,500 Grand Prize!
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CALENDAR WATCH

Friday

- Clothing ministry, Fellowship Baptist Church, Knox Avenue, Monessen, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Story time begins, Donora Public Library, 1 to 1:45 p.m.
- Big Ben's Barbecue Cookout, Monongahela Valley Hospital Anthony M. Lombardi Education Conference Center, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.
- ARC Video Night, Speers Borough Building, 7 to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon meeting, United Methodist Church, Belle Vernon, 7:30 p.m.

VALLEY GRAPEVINE

Donora 1952 class to meet

Donora High School Class of 1952 will meet between noon and 1 p.m. Friday at the Drake home in Fellsburg.

Music planned at Charleroi Elks

Deejay Mick will provide music 9 p.m. Saturday at the Charleroi Elks. For information, call (724) 483-4727.

BVA School Board to meet Monday

The monthly meetings of the Belle Vernon Area School Board will be held Monday at the BVA Multiplex, 274 Finley Road, as follows: 7 p.m., agenda meeting, 8 p.m., regular meeting.

An open house will be held at the new Multiplex (formerly 84 Lumber) 4 to 6 p.m.

Square dance set in Long Branch

Long Branch Community Grange 2072 will not hold a square dance in September. The next dance will be held Oct. 31 as a Halloween dance. Costumes will be optional and prizes will be awarded Dave Dahl will furnish the music.

BVA 1969 planning reunion

Belle Vernon Area High School Class of 1969 will hold a 40-year reunion Nov. 27 at the Willow Room of WillowPoint Plaza, Rostraver Township. Reservations are due by Nov. 1 to Rosemary Weaver Koliscak. Any classmate who did not receive an invitation can call Koliscak at (724) 929-4951 or email koliscak@verizon.net.

Dinner theater show planned

The women of Moose 1032, Sutersville, will present Mystery Most Wanted's dinner theatre show "Mobsters, Molls and Marinara' Oct. 17. You can help solve the murder of a local crime boss while enjoying dinner. The Moose is located on First Avenue in Sutersville. Doors will open at 6 p.m. For reservations, call (412) 751-4584.

Seats available for casino outing

Increasing College/Community Monies has seats available on a noon to 6 p.m. Oct. 6 trip to Rivers Casino. The bus will leave Monessen at Donner Avenue at 10:30 a.m. Call (724) 653-6802.

Writing contest subjects announced

The National Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians has announced the subjects for its 2009-2010 Irish History Writing Contest. For grades 6, 7 and 8 the subject is "Role of Women in 1916 Rebellion." For grades 9, 10, 11 and 12, the subject is "The Irish Playing the Game: The Sports of the World." All children in grades 6-12 attending public, private parochial and home schools are eligible to enter. Top prize in high school is $1,000. Top prize in lower level is $500. Deadline to enter is Jan. 3. Information concerning the contest is being sent to local schools, but any interested parties can get more information by calling Washington County, Division 4 Irish historian, Rose Venanzi at (724) 258-5295.

VALLEY CLUB NOTES

Epiphany Ladies

President Mary Ann Gallo welcomed the Rev. David Nazimek and members to the September meeting of the Epiphany Ladies.

Members joined in singing "You are Mine" as Vice President Betty Manderino, Ginny Burns and Toni Leone carried the Bible, flowers and candle to start the meeting.

Gallo spoke on the theme for the new term.

Members were asked to wear blue in honor of the Blessed Mother and the rosary for the Oct. 13 meeting and to bring a special religious pin to give to a "Secret Sister." She thanked the officers, committee heads and chairpersons who have volunteered their help at the start of the new term.

Secretary Sophia Janol and Treasurer Alice Frolo issued reports and correspondence was read.

Nazimek thanked the women for all they do for the parish.

DCCW Representative Kathy Byron issued her report focusing on upcoming events including the Oct. 3 Deanery V meeting to be held at Epiphany Chapel.

The welfare report, prepared by Rene Moncini, was five get-well cards and two sympathy cards were sent.

Perfect attendance awards for 2008-2009 were presented to: Byron, Martha DeMarco, Gallo, Janol, Dorothy Jozwiak, Patty Pettko and Lil Taylor.

Celebrating July birthdays were: Dolly Cieply, Debbie Genemore, Dolores Ostetrico, Pettko and Bea Sarra. August birthdays were celebrated by: Clarita Billick, Martha DeMarco, Gallo and Janol and September birthdays by: Theresa DiPiazza, Mary Mandarino, Moncini, Marsha Rocereta and Norma Scalise.

The organization voted to contribute a monetary gift to the parish to help with a recent emergency. A donation was also made for the social at the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral for the Golden Jubilee Mass.

Betty Manderino thanked members for their help with the bi-monthly project.

It was announced that Enjoy books would be sold after all the Masses. The rosary will be prayed for priests and religious before the Masses on Oct. 10 and 11. A Public Square Rosary Crusade will be held noon Oct. 10 at the Monessen City Park walking track.

Gallo thanked Ginny Burns, Leone and their committee. Jozwiak gave the closing Hail Marys.

The officers and members participated in a prayer service in keeping with the theme the "Year for priests - Faithfulness of Christ, Faithfulness of Priests."

The monetary prize was won by Cieply and door prizes were awarded to Aggie Molinatto, Ostetrico, Janol, Jozwiak and Leone. Scalise, Lil Taylor and Cieply won decorated cakes.

Fayette City Goldenagers

The Fayette City Goldenagers had a picnic Sept. 16 at the Center on the Hill, Washington Township. Chaplain Betty Savarino had opening prayer and led members in the flag salute.

Birthdays were observed for Edythe Forsythe and Herman Steinmiller, guest from the state of Utah. Servers were Shirley Fugo, Loretta Mitchner, Jay Pohalski, Mary Nega, George Fugo and Jim Savarino. President Shirley Fugo thanked the servers.

Anniversary celebrants were Jim and Betty Savarino, 57 years; Ed and Pat Mikula, 46 years.

Servers for October will be Pat Mikula, Betty Savarino, Betty Maguire, Lillian Kepsel, and Rose Marie Knox.

Following the meeting, the members played bingo.

Court Charleroi 669, CD of A

Court Charleroi 669 Catholic Daughters of America met Sept. 9 in Marian Hall of Mary Mother of the Church.

Rosary was recited, led by Mary Elizabeth Fisher and assisted by Jean Galloni, Kathy Dreisen, Joann Mocilan and Dorothy Paterline.

Regent Dorothy Taylor called the meeting to order with the flag salute. The opening prayer was said by Patricia Lehr.

Secretary Paterline read the minutes of the previous meeting and they were accepted as read. The other committee members gave their reports. White ribbons were given to members to be worn during the campaign against pornography.

On a motion by Mocilan and seconded by Driesen, it was decided that all members bring paper products and any kind of soap products to the next meeting. They will be given to the food bank. A donation will be given to the Lifeline, motion made by Kathy Abercrombie, seconded by Galloni. The audit committee will comprise Kathy Abercrombie, Galloni and Driesen. Date for the audit will be announced later.

Share the wealth was won by Erma Abercrombie, Freda Romonosky and Thelma Krupieski. Tip board was won by Rita Lee. The meeting closed by saying the Catholic Daughters prayer.

The next meeting will be held Oct. 14.

COMICS

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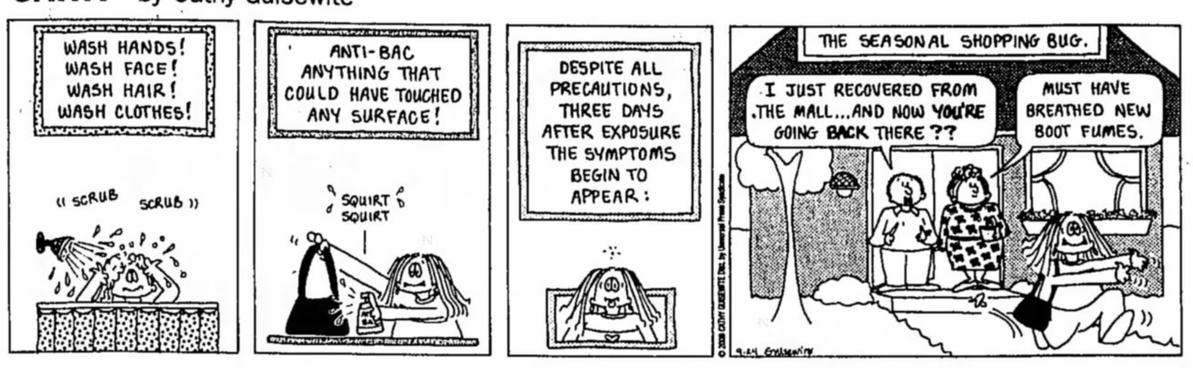
WASH HANDS! WASH FACE! WASH HAIR! WASH CLOTHES!
((SCRUB SCRUB))
ANTI-BAC ANYTHING THAT COULD HAVE TOUCHED ANY SURFACE!
SQUIRT SQUIRT
DESPITE ALL PRECAUTIONS, THREE DAYS AFTER EXPOSURE THE SYMPTOMS BEGIN TO APPEAR:
THE SEASONAL SHOPPING BUG.
I JUST RECOVERED FROM THE MALL...AND NOW YOU'RE GOING BACK THERE??
MUST HAVE BREATHED NEW BOOT FUMES.

GARFIELD® by Jim Davis

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DOES YOUR DOG BITE?
OF COURSE NOT..
THAT'S TRUE..I DON'T THINK I COULD EVER BITE ANYONE..
HOWEVER, I DO ADMIT TO BEING A LITTLE SARCASTIC NOW AND THEN..

BEETLE BAILEY® by Mort Walker

HI & LOIS® by Mort Walker and Dick Browne

GRIZZWELLS® by Bill Schorr

THAT'S IT, POP?
THAT'S IT IN A NUT-SHELL, SON
THAT'S ALL YOU NEED TO REMEMBER IN LIFE
EVERYTHING TASTES BETTER IF IT'S FRIED IS THE SECRET TO LIFE?
DEEP-FRIED, TUCKER, DEEP-FRIED

BORN LOSER® by Art Sansom

I HAVE TOTALED YOUR BILL, SIR— HERE YOU ARE.
UH-OH! I DIDN'T EXPECT IT TO BE THIS HIGH! I DON'T THINK I HAVE ENOUGH FOR YOUR TIP!
HMM... IN THAT CASE, ALLOW ME TO TOTAL YOUR BILL AGAIN!

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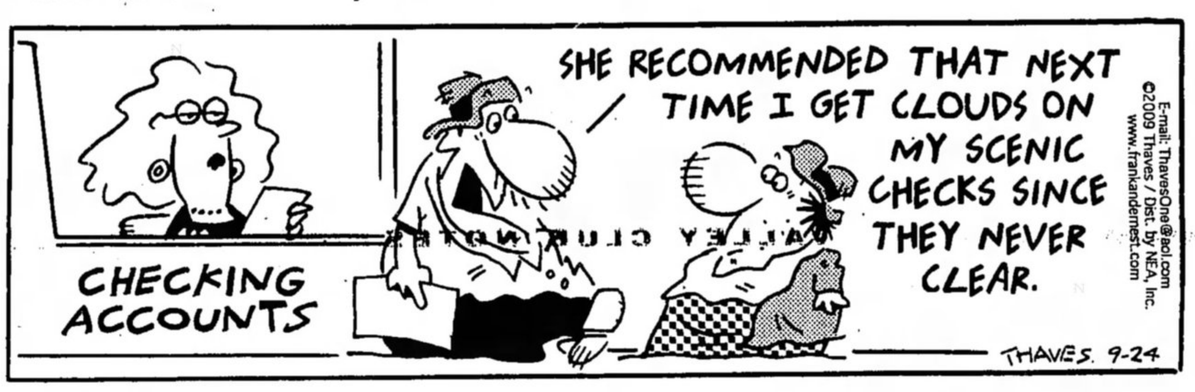

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MAYBE THAT'LL LIGHT A FIRE UNDER YOU, BUMSTEAD!!
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TICKA TICKA

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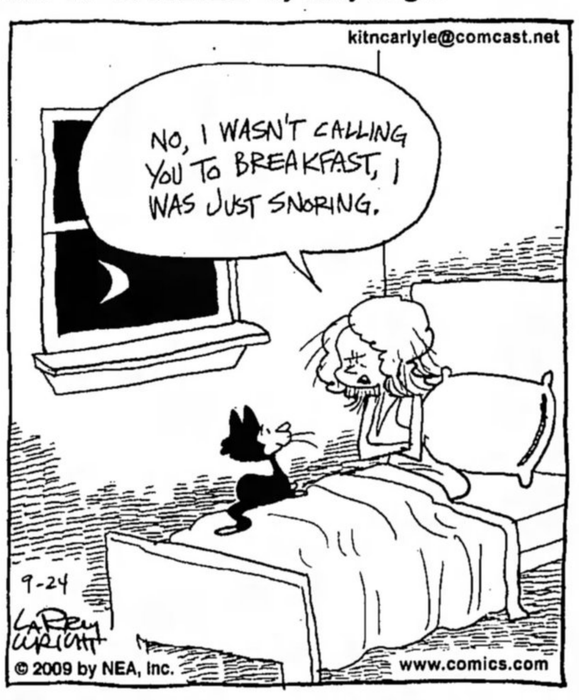

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

BIG NATE® by Lincolin Peirce

YOU HAVE TWO OPPONENTS FOR CLASS PRESIDENT: MARCUS AND LISA!
GREAT. THE TWO MOST POPULAR KIDS IN SCHOOL.
BUT POPULARITY HAS A SHELF LIFE! IT DOESN'T LAST FOREVER!
EVENTUALLY, EVERYONE GETS SICK OF POPULAR PEOPLE, AND THEN THEY'RE NOT POPULAR ANYMORE!
LIKE BEN AFFLECK!
RIGHT!
WHO?

MARK TRAIL® by Jack Elrod

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku By Dave Green

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8			9				2	
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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ACROSS

1 Hero's journey
6 Search for an odor
11 Makes coffee
12 Grandson of Genghis
13 Sailing vessels
15 Felt sorry for
16 Coveted awards
18 Stockholm carrier
19 Bark
21 Stretchy bandage
22 Free from contamination
23 Greatest quantity
25 Gal. parts
28 Metal eaters
30 Draw on
31 Rock concert souvenir
32 Polar cap
33 Tummy muscles
35 Jungian term
37 Scale notes
38 Ancient story
40 Med. visit
41 Utter untruth knowingly
42 Ego ending
43 Mellow
46 Beauty treatment
48 Sibling's son
50 Equipped
54 Tire surface
55 Kashmir cash
56 Garden starters
57 Entrap

DOWN

1 Montana and Flutie
2 Web addr.
3 Help-wanted abbr.
4 Swept down
5 Kitchen meas.
6 Glides on the snow
7 Fitting for a bolt
8 Heron kin
9 Pet pest
10 Crazes
14 Fraudulent scheme
15 Push down
17 Kind of guitar
19 Agave
20 Ram constellation
22 Beach toy
24 Pekoe, e.g.
25 Swab brand (hyph.)
26 Appeal strongly to
27 Bench or hassock
29 Astronaut — Shepard
34 Rule
36 Carpentry tool (2 wds.)
39 Whodunit suspect
43 Emmets
44 "Pretty Woman" lead
45 Dueler's weapon
46 Govt. agents
47 Hangs outdoors
49 Came down with
51 Student stat
52 Always, to Byron
53 — Wallace-Stone

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NEWS

MAKING THE GRADE

Todd receives Cal U degree

Chelsy J. Todd graduated *summa cum laude* from California University of Pennsylvania with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education.

She was nominated for the Golden Apple Award for academic excellence and is a presidential scholar.

An honors student, she completed her student teaching requirement at Charleroi Elementary School.

She is working as a kindergarten teacher at Donora Elementary School in the Ringgold School District.

She is the daughter of Mike and Becky Todd, of Carroll Township.

Altemare serving capital internship

Ashley Altemare, of Charleroi, has been assigned to the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives as part of a 15-week internship sponsored by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

A senior business administration major at California University of Pennsylvania, she will receive through the internship credits equal to a semester of classes.

The daughter of Lisa Altemare, she is a 2005 Charleroi Area High School graduate.

Todd

Altemare

McCloskey

Gavala

McCloskey PSU graduate

Keven Andrew McCloskey received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Penn State University.

A 2005 Belle Vernon Area High School graduate, he is the son of Kelly and Marla McCloskey, of Belle Vernon.

He is a structural engineer with Sucevic, Piccolomini and Kuchar Engineering Inc. in Uniontown.

Gavala honored for academics

The United States Achievement Academy has named Lacey Gavala, of Carroll Township, an All-American Scholar.

Gavala attends Ringgold Middle School. Her name will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook.

She is active with volleyball, chorus and show choir. She serves as a morning announcer at Ringgold Middle School. She is a cheerleader for the Monongahela Wildcats.

She is the daughter of Jim and Sandy Gavala, of Carroll Township, and the granddaughter of Margaret Berry, of Peters Township.

Burgan makes IUP dean's list

Culinary arts major Shannon Burgan, of Venetia, was named to the summer dean's list at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Sarver studying in London, England

Ryan Sarver is pursuing a master's degree in digital music processing electrical engineering at the University of London in England.

He recently graduated *cum laude* with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Penn State University.

A 2005 Ringgold High School graduate, he is the son of Linda and Roy Sarver, of Monongahela, and the grandson of Antoinette Rygiel, of Donora.

U.N. to give big boost to nuclear-free world

Vote to come at a session chaired by Barack Obama - the first U.S. president to preside at a summit-level meeting of the U.N. Security Council.

By EDITH M. LEDERER
Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS — With U.S. President Barack Obama presiding, the U.N. Security Council tpday was expected to give a big political boost to long-stalled efforts to move toward a world without nuclear weapons.

Diplomats said the U.N.'s most powerful body wwere scheduled to vote unanimously today on a draft resolution calling for stepped up efforts to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons, promote disarmament and "reduce the risk of nuclear terrorism."

Obama is the first U.S. president to chair a summit-level meeting of the council and he will be joined by 14 other world leaders, U.S. deputy ambassador Alejandro Wolff said.

Obama aides see the resolution that was expected to be adopted at the meeting as an endorsement of the president's entire nuclear agenda, as laid out in his April speech in Prague in which he declared his commitment to "a world without nuclear weapons."

The president called in that speech for the slashing of U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals, adoption of the treaty banning all nuclear tests, an international fuel bank to better safeguard nuclear material, and negotiations on a new treaty that "verifiably" ends the production of fissile materials used to make atomic weapons.

He also strongly backed the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, or NPT, which requires signatory nations not to pursue nuclear weapons in exchange for a commitment by the five nuclear powers to move toward nuclear disarmament. States without nuclear weapons are guaranteed access to peaceful nuclear technology to produce nuclear power.

All those measures are included in the draft resolution.

In its opening paragraph, the draft reaffirms the council's commitment "to seek a safer world for all and to create the conditions for a world without nuclear weapons."

Arms control advocates say such elements are interconnected. Some nations might eventually reject the limitations of the Non-Proliferation Treaty, for example, if the U.S. and other nuclear powers don't abide by that treaty's requirement to move toward disarmament by reducing their arsenals, or if they reject the test ban.

Also today, the U.S. was to rejoin a biannual conference designed to win more support for the treaty banning all nuclear bomb tests.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton was scheduled to help kick off that U.N. session, uniting foreign ministers and other envoys from more than 100 nations that have ratified or at least signed the 1996 treaty.

It represents the first U.S. participation since 1999.

Former Democratic Sen. Sam Nunn, a leading arms-control advocate who heads the Nuclear Threat Initiative, a Washington-based group designed to fight the global spread of nuclear materials, called the draft before the Security Council "an excellent resolution."

Nunn said Obama's message is that "we are in a race between cooperation and catastrophe."

The draft resolution does not mention any country by name but it reaffirms previous Security Council resolutions that imposed sanctions on Iran and North Korea for their nuclear activities. It does not call for any new sanctions.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

The following have applied for marriage licenses through the Westmoreland County Register of Wills:

■ Rocco Leonard Sciore Jr. and Rhonda Veronica Dunlap, both of Belle Vernon.

■ Thomas Edward Courie and Heidi Lemley, both of Smithton.

■ William Roy Myers, of Scottdale, and Marian Lea Marcolini, of Brownsville.

■ Chad Everett Christner and Sarah Ann Konway, both of Smithton.

■ Aaron Michael Kukic and Stephanie Renae Stiller, both of West Newton.

■ Richard Brent Peters, of Export, and Madlyn Margaret Sabo, of Charleroi

■ Anthony Walter Orzechowski and Rosaline Lorraine Lombardo, both of Monessen.

■ Donald Carl Skelley and Ashley Ann Vranick, both of West Newton.

Joe Walker members honored at convention

Four members of the Joe Walker-Mon Valley Air Force Association Chapter attended the state convention in Carlisle July 31 and Aug. 1.

William Teets, a Monessen High School chemistry teacher, was named Joe Walker-Mon Valley Chapter Teacher of the Year.

Teets

Hartman

State association President Bob Rutledge presented the award. Teets received a citation, association jacket and money. Teets serves as SADD sponsor, academic team sponsor, gifted coordinator and assistant varsity football coach.

The association named chapter Treasurer Karen Hartman as the state Person of the Year, based on long-time service as the treasurer and as the state treasurer. She was elected to a new term at the convention.

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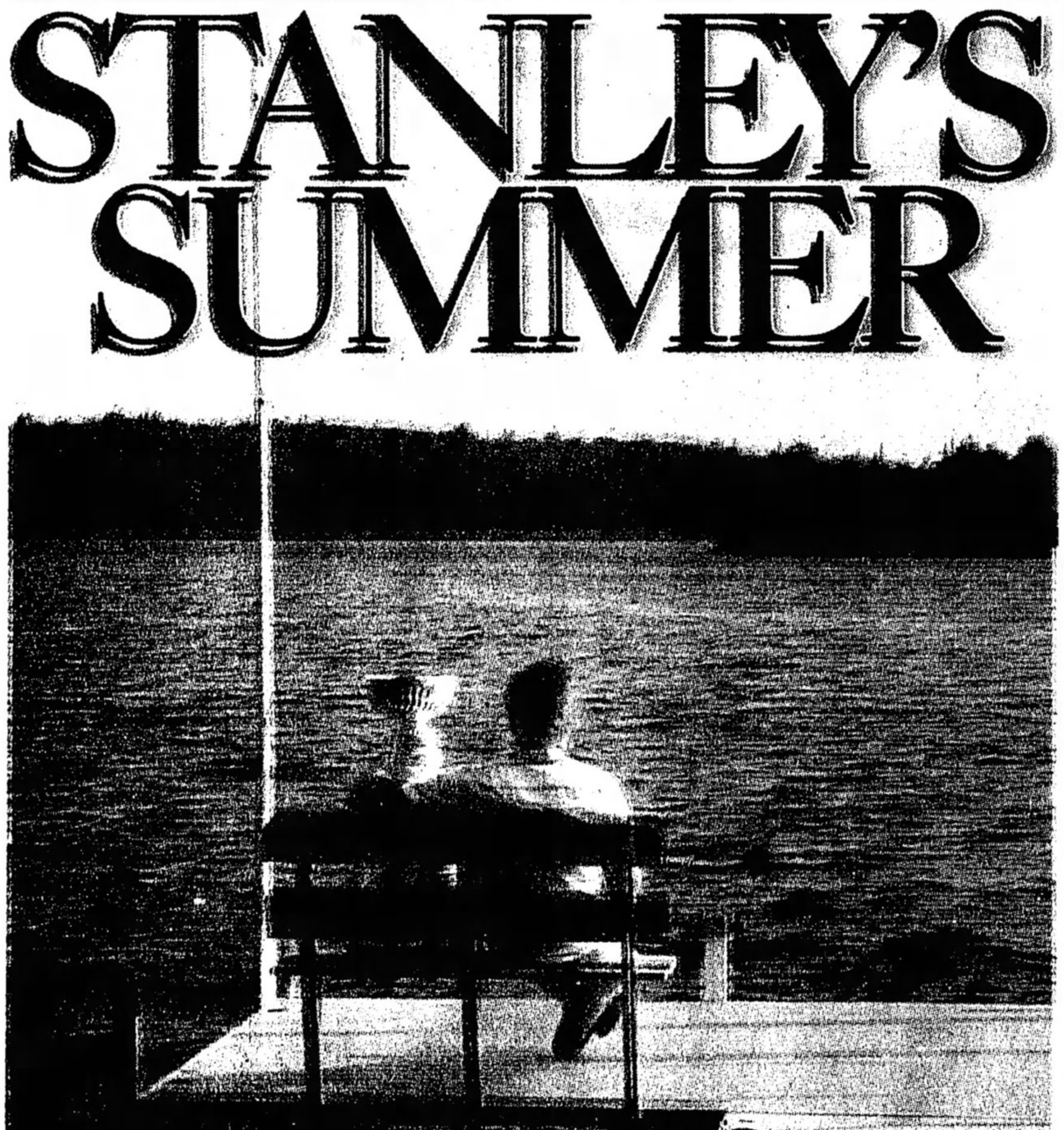

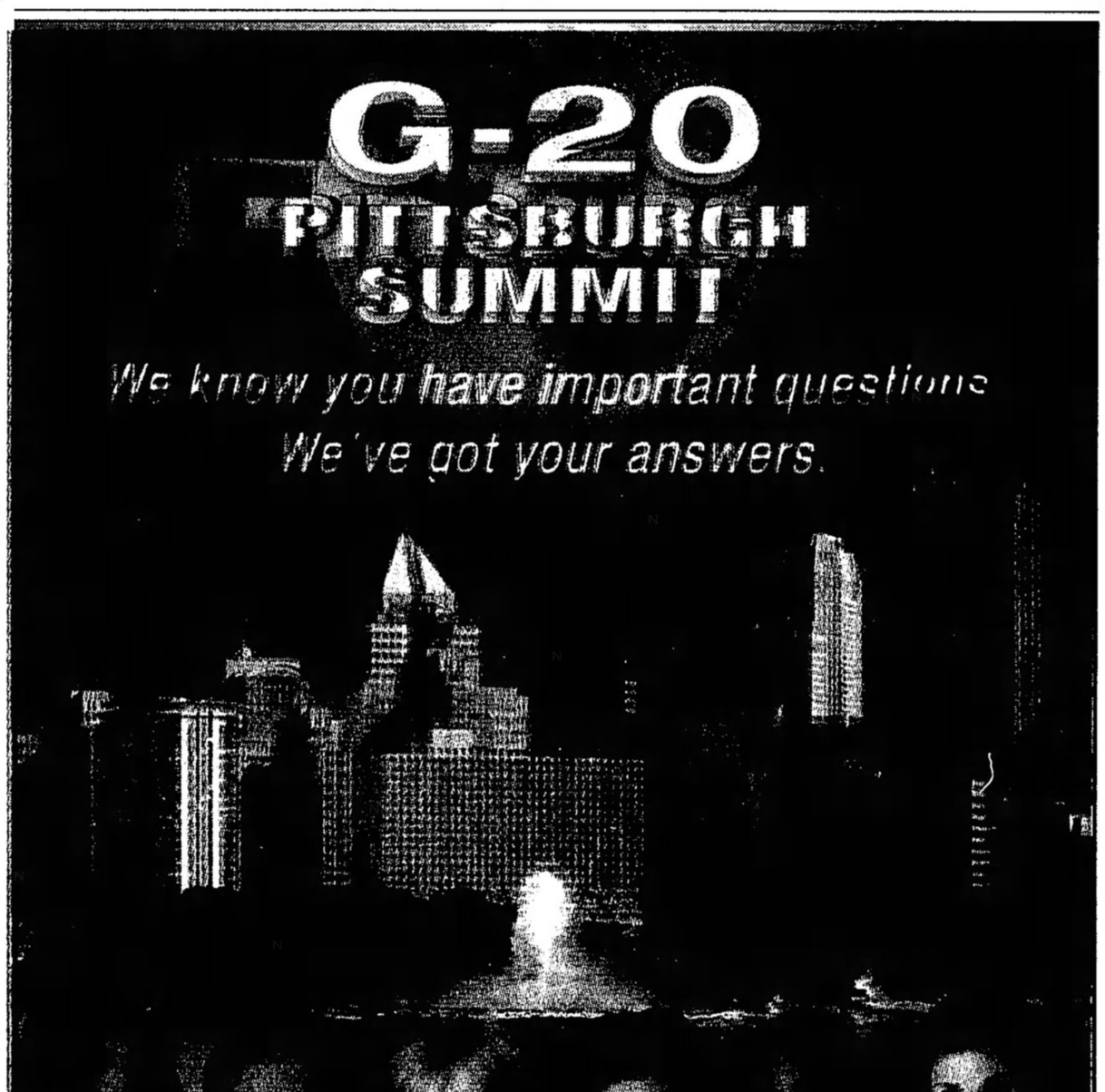
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Parkhurst, Richard
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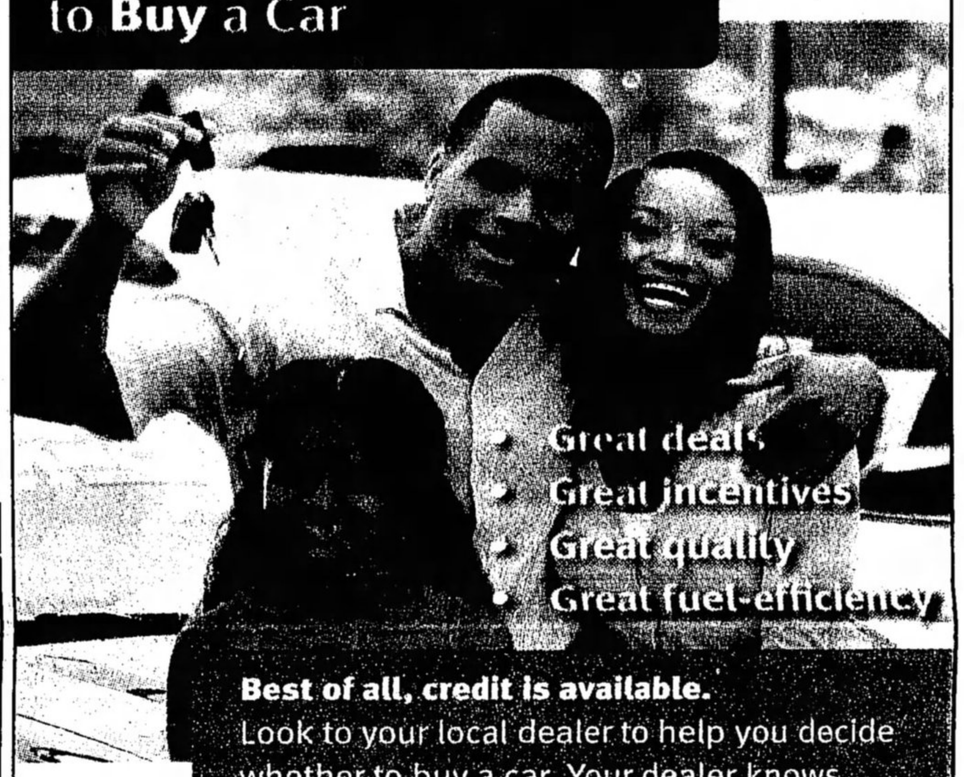

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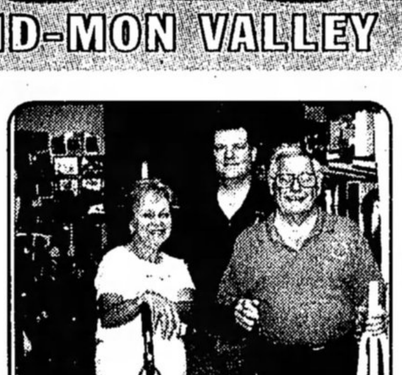

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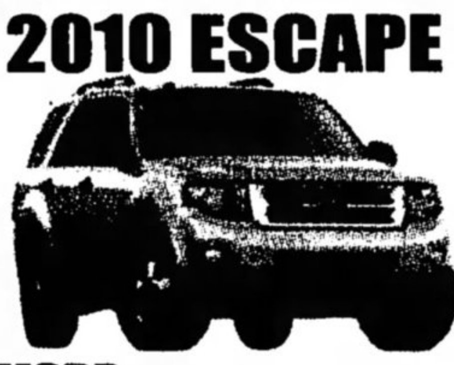

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Retail Bonus Cash	$1,000
Retail Customer Cash	$1,000
College Grad Program	$500

$21,788

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C. Harper Discount	$902
Retail Customer Cash	$1,000
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College Grad Program	$500

$13,788

0% APR for 36 months at $27.00 per month per $1,000 financed with zero down available on '10 Focus. On approved credit with Chase. Payments include tax, title & license. Offer expires 9/30/09.

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SAVE OVER $5,500

0% Available

#FT45207

MSRP	$21,945
C. Harper Discount	$1,057
Retail Customer Cash	$1,500
Retail Customer Cash	$2,500
College Grad Program	$500

$16,388

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#LF1647

MSRP	$21,220
C. Harper Discount	$1,332
Retail Bonus Cash	$1,000
Retail Customer Cash	$500
College Student Purchase Program	$500

$17,888

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2010 MUSTANG

#6833

0% Available

MSRP	$21,845
C. Harper Discount	$1,357
Retail Bonus Customer Cash	$1,000
College Student Purchase Program	$500

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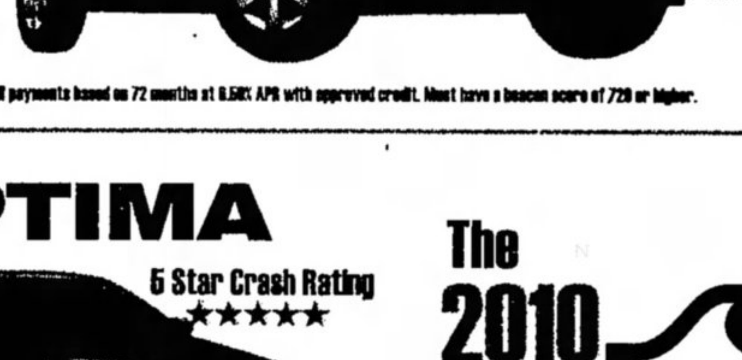

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3020 For Sale - Alleg. Co. W.
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3045 For Sale - Fayette
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RENT
3500 Apt./Rent - Alleg. Co. N.
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5310 Garage Sales

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5530 Animal Shows
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5550 Cats
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5580 Horses
5585 Pets - Mixed
5590 Kennels/Boarding
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6010 Recreational Vehicles
6020 Motorcycles
6030 Trucks
6040 Sport Utility
6050 Parts & Accessories
6060 Vans
6070 Leasing/Rentals
6080 Auto Sales
6090 Antique/Classic
6100 Wanted To Buy
6110 Auto Service Dealers

2010/ESTATE NOTICES

Ramellini, Msgr. P. Lino
ESTATE NOTICE

Letters testamentary on the estate of Msgr. P. Lino Ramellini, a/k/a Msgr. P. Lino Ramellnni, a/k/a P. Lino Ramellini, a/k/a P. Lino Ramelinni, a/k/a Rev. P. Lino Ramellini, late of the City of Monessen, Westmoreland County, deceased, having been granted by the Register of Wills of Westmoreland County, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them without delay to:

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P.O. Box A
Monessen, PA 15062
9/17,24;10/1

2030/MEETING NOTICES

RINGGOLD
SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Special Meeting of the Ringgold Board of School Directors for the Purpose of Student Discipline will be held on Monday, September 28, 2009 at 7:15 P.M. in the Administration Building, 400 Main Street, New Eagle, PA 15067.

Betty J. Dornan
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9/24

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CLOTHING items bag of 10 plus size, $30.00
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FAUX FUR COAT light tan size med., below waist $20. 724-684-7289.

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$10.00
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5010/APPLIANCES

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5020/ARTICLES

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5030/AUCTIONS

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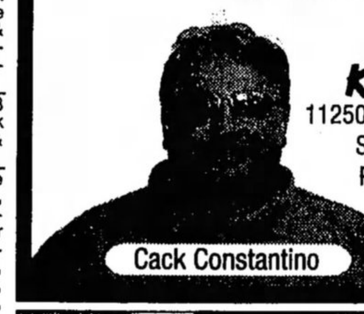

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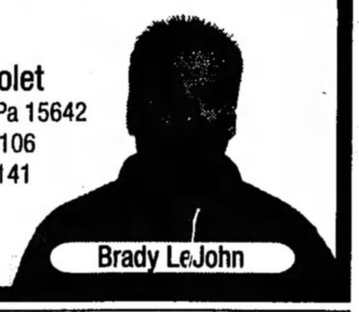

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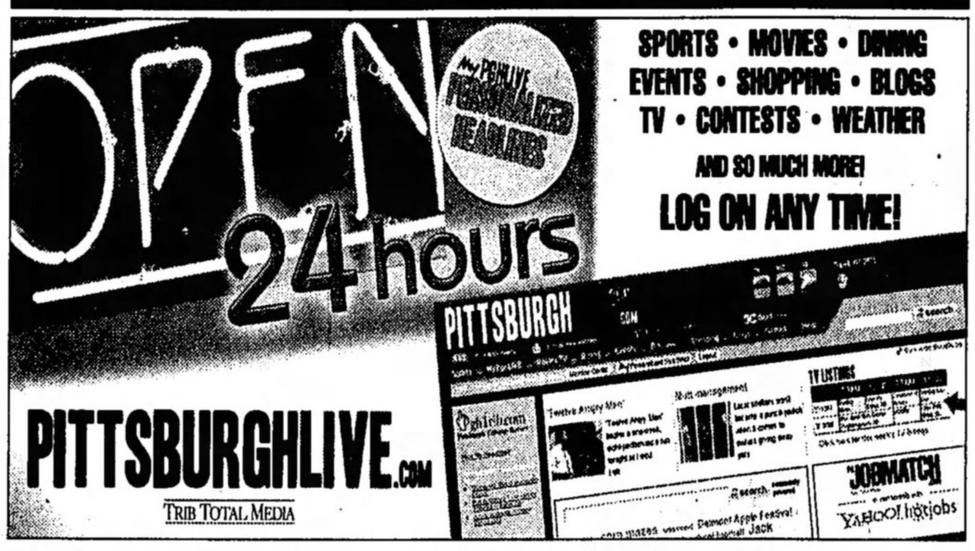

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September 23 through October 23

If you keep your head and don't allow yourself to follow tangents, the year ahead could turn out to be an exceptionally good one. Here's one good thing to do: Tie all your endeavors together for economic purposes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Problems will stem from rationalizing matters rather than seeing issues in a realistic light. If you want a productive day, take off those rose-colored glasses.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Put away your tool kit and stop trying to fix things that aren't broken. Don't disassemble things that are working well merely for the sake of change; it will mess up your serene life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Before getting yourself and your team in too deeply, be sure that everyone is aiming at the same target. Check out the objectives of others before you take anyone onboard.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- It's ill-advised to assign critical tasks to those same people who have performed poorly in the past. You first need some proof that they'll do better this time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- You've always shown yourself to be a bold and enterprising person, yet your sights could be placed on the wrong target, calling for a foolish risk rather than a strong initiative.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Unless you keep your emotions in check, angry and excitable outbursts are likely to prevail, especially in domestic situations. Stay in control at all times.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Unless you listen attentively to what others have to say, you could miss something extremely important to your future success. Stay focused at all times; the clue may be in the little things being said.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- To accomplish your purposes, carry credit cards or a little extra money in your wallet because some unexpected expenses could arise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- You may feel pressure to alter your course of action in order to appease a colleague who is giving everyone a hard time. If you do, you'll end up serving no one, including yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Guard your tongue, as well as your intentions, because something that should not be revealed could slip out. If you spill the beans, you might cause a lot of trouble for yourself and others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- You have as much chance as anyone to realize your wishes. However, if you give the impression that you're more entitled to something than others, you can expect them to gang up on you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- The moment you begin to coast, regardless of your reasons, you will find yourself falling way short of the mark. It's going to take a lot of extra determination and persistence to be an achiever.

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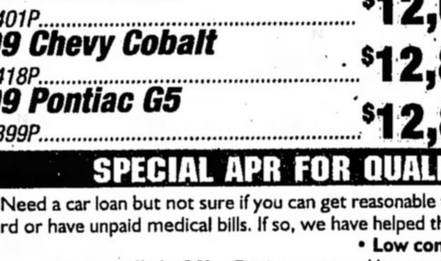

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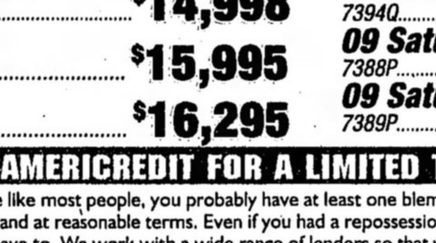

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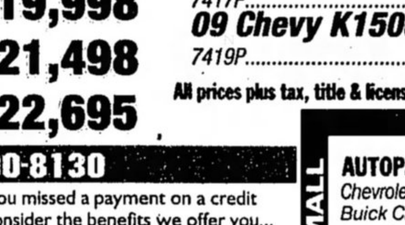

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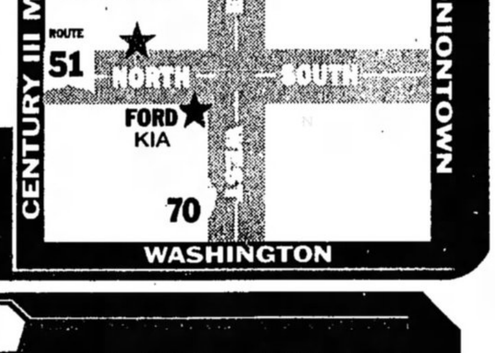

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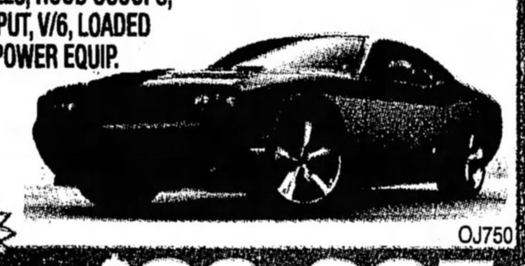

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